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Labour leadership poll in June

Kinnock quits with assault on Tory press

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

Robin Oakley on the triumph and tragedy of Neil Kinnock

NEIL Kinnock announced his resignation as leader of the Labour party yesterday, combining his statement with an outspoken attack on the Conservative press for helping the government to achieve an election victory that he said it could not have secured on its own.

The announcement ended weekend speculation that he would stand down after he had failed for a second time to lead Labour to Downing

Mr Kinnock cleared the way for a leadership contest to be held in June, adding that he wanted the party to get on with its work with maximum speed and effec-tiveness". He said he was "making no excuses and ex-pressing no binerness" and added that he would continue to play an important role at the top of the party by seeking election to Labour's ruling national executive committee this autumn.

The executive will today begin the procedures to elect successors for Mr Kinnock and Roy Hattersley, who has confirmed that he will stand down as deputy leader. The battle for the leadership has already caused a party dis-

Princess sues for divorce

The Princess Royal has petitioned for divorce from Captain Mark Phillips, Buckingcouple, married for 18 years, legally separated in 1989 and were always expected to end their marriage after a wait of at least two years...... Page 5

Free exit

Motorists using the Severn bridge will be charged noth-ing to leave Wales in two weeks time while those wishing to return will have to pay £2.80. The rise in charges will be used partly to finance a new £300 million crossing of

Student plea

The outgoing president of the National Union of Students called for an immediate commitment to free provision of higher education by John Patten, the new education secretary, at the annual con-ference in Blackpool.. Page 5

Reform clash

Ministers in President Yeltsin's government offered to resign, complaining that Russia's Congress of People's Deputies had placed unacceptable restrictions on the reform programme... Page 9

Trial protest

Wartime deportees protested after the Paris appeal court ruled that the head of the pro-Nazi milice in Lyons, Paul Touvier, 77, could not be-come the first French citizen to face trial for alleged crimes against humanity Page 10

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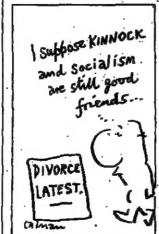


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pute, with some MPs claiming that Labour is being pushed too quickly. Clare Short, MP for Birmingham Ladywood, said yesterday that the party would resent "being bounced". John Pres cott, the shadow transport secretary, said it would look to the outside world "as if it is a quick fix". The executive is. however, expected to honour Mr Kinnock's wish and he and Mr Hattersley will relin-quish their responsibilities

John Smith, shadow chancellor, and Bryan Gould, Labour's environment spokesman, are expected to declare today that they are standing for the leadership. Mr Gould will also put himself forward for the deputy leadership. Mr Prescott is likely to join that race as well as either Tony Blair, Labour's employment spokes-man, or Gordon Brown, the shadow industry secretary. Mr Blair or Mr Brown would stand as Mr Smith's runningmate. The three men were having consultations in Lon-



Announcing his decision to stand down, Mr Kinnock, 50, unleashed a surprisingly t on the pi coverage of the general election campaign. He quoted Lord McAlpine of West Green, the former Conservative treasurer, who wrote in The Sunday Telegraph that the "heroes" of the campaign were Sir David English, editor of the Daily Mail, Sir Nicholas Lloyd, editor of the Daily Express, Kelvin Mac-Kenzie, editor of The Sun. "and the other editors of the grander Tory press".

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Japanese share slump raises fears for banks

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE Japanese stock market plunged again yesterday as fears in Tokyo grew about the financial strength of the

country's banks.

A report from the credit rating agency IBCA showed that many Japanese banks have been severely weakened by the slump in share prices. and may have to cut back their lending to comply with international financial regulations. The Japanese finance ministry may ask for a relaxation of the rules, but that is likely to be opposed by the Bank of England.

The Nikkei index dropped by 614 points to 17,236.65

yesterday, wiping out more than half of Friday's gains. The index has fallen by 16 per cent in the past month, and further drops are predict-ed. The fall has slashed the values of the vast share portfolios held by the Japanese banks, including Dai-Ichi Kangyo, Sakura and Sumitomo, the three biggest in the

world. In London by contrast, the stock market shrugged off the effects of Friday night's bomb and the FT-SE 100 index closed up 18.4 at 2591.0.

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On the way out: Neil and Glenys Kinnock leaving their home in Ealing for the Commons, where the Labour leader announced his resignation yesterday

Mandela and wife separate

FROM GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG

NELSON Mandela formally announced yesterday that he and his wife, Winnie, were

separating. His public statement came as police investigated allegations that Mrs Mandela was involved in two murders, but he insisted that the recent claims had not prompted

their decision to part. The African National Congress president said that he still loved his wife and would stand by her in her latest tribulations, but differences had arisen between them on several issues, and they had agreed to separate.

Informed sources said Mr Mandela had been under pressure from senior ANC officials to dissolve the marriage after two people convicted with her in a kidnap and assault trial last year said they had given false evidence to

protect her.

Mr Mandela asked reporters to appreciate the pain he had gone through and paid glowing tribute to his wife's fortifiede. Referring to her by her first given name, he said: "Comrade Nomzamo can continue to rely on my un-stinting support during these trying moments in her life."

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Rover deal offers staff jobs for life

BY ROSS TIEMAN, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Rover car company. which in its former incarnation as British Leyland was a byword for industrial strife.

has won approval from its 35,000-strong workforce for a Japanese-style agreement designed to end strikes for good and guarantee a job for life for those who want one. The breakthrough deal, which should secure Rover's

future by reforming industrial relations on almost every front and transforming productivity, was hailed by the company as "the best industrial deal in Europe."

The agreement was approved by a majority of just 168, even though it had been recommended by the trade unions, led in talks by the Transport and General Workers' Union. In all, 11,961 voted in favour, and 11,793 against. About a third of the workforce did not vote. Rover said the result had been expected to be close because the effects of the deal

are so far-reaching.
The company will end the ritual of clocking on and abolish distinctions between shopfloor and office workers, achieving total job flexibility, subject to the ability of employees to do the task set. Grouped in teams, employees will be able to organise their own work, and will take responsibility for routine main-

tenance and "housekeeping" in their work area. All will share in a bonus scheme related to the profitability of the company as a whole.

Any disputes that cannot be settled by negotiation will, if both parties agree, be referred to binding arbitration. The agreement prohibits any disputes outside the formal procedure. It also stipulates that "employees who want to work for Rover will be able to stay with Rover", adding that any future manpower reductions would be achieved through retraining, natural wastage, voluntary severance

and early retirement. The agreement is a blend of practices learnt by Rover from its Japanese partner and shareholder Honda, and modern British industrial relations thinking. It has been forged during five months of discussions with the unions, partly in response to competitive pressure from the Nissan and Toyota in Britain.

Ford and Vauxhall, Britain's two other big car makers, are expected to look closely at the deal and may seek to introduce similar

arrangements. Rover, said: "We have achieved a greenfield site agree-We believe this is the best agreement in manufacturing industry in Europe.

Cricket puts four-day game to the test

Too many one-day games and contrived finishes to county matches are ruining England's national sport. Alan Lee reports on the move to put things right

The English cricket season, arriving on a chill wind at Lord's yesterday, may never be the same again. Braving the elements on the opening day in early April will be a thing of the past, as will the 70-year tradition of three-day championship matches. Players and officials in

English Test cricket are convinced that the game has suffered from an emphasis on the wrong type of cricket. A surfeit of limited-overs matches and last-afternoon slogs in championship games are not ideal proving grounds for five-day Tests: England have not beaten West Indies in a Test series since 1969 or Australia since 1987.

The next two days at Lord's will produce a vision of the future. If the Test and County Cricket Board working party is allowed its way, this season will be the last for the game as we know it. The working group will probably recom-mend a programme of 17 four-day games to decide the county champions from next year and the abolition of one of the three main limitedovers competitions.

In the past the counties have tended to resist change, but this time things are different. Canvassing has been in-tense with TCCB officers briefing each club on the proposed schedules and several have been won over.

Decisions will be taken at a full meeting of the TCCB on May 19, but the proposals will provide warm debate in the committee morns at Lord's tomorrow. A commitment to four-day cricket would bring England into line with most other Test would not only have more rest between games, but also be available for more championship fixtures.

Tomorrow, Gooch will be reappointed as England captain for the sea-son. Some things remain the same. But this summer may be remembered as a vision of English cricket past.

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Lawrence of Arabia's legend has been dusted off again. this time for ITV Life & Times Page 1

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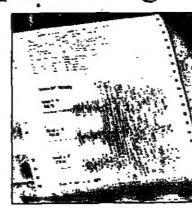
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Europe's quake no great shakes on world scale

FROM IAN MURRAY IN BONN

WE were rudely shaken awake in the middle of the night by the bed rocking and the house groaning. Slowly. the big old house stopped shaking and returned to its normal stolid state. People peered, frightened, out of their windows and police sirens wailed. Was it a bomb, or even a nuclear accident? Only later did we realise that we had experienced the biggest earthquake in northern Europe this century.

Within seconds, police switchboards all over northwestern Germany, Holland, Belgium and parts of eastern France were jammed with callers demanding to know what was going on. The answer came from Professor Ludwig Ahrhorner, who, like hundreds of thousands of others. was shaken awake at 3.20 am. He runs Cologne University's institute for earthquake research and immed-



The quake's tremors on paper

iately realised what had happened. Germany has on average five barely detectable earthquakes a year, and Professor Ahrhorner studies them. But when the big one came - the worst in the region for nearly 250 years — his instruments were unequal to the task. Earthquake recorders in the institute were set to register much weaker tremors and the violence yesterday was such that one of the key instruments broke. The first accurate scientific report, therefore, came from the US Geological Survey in Golden, Colorado. which announced that the epicentre of the earthquake was in Holland some three miles southwest of Roermond, on one of the lesser-known roads to Maastricht.

It was "only" 5.5 to 5.8 on the Richter scale and lasted for "no more" than 30 seconds, the experts said rather contemptoously. There were at least a hundred similar shocks a year worldwide, all insignificant compared with those registering 8 and more in Armenia, Iran and Turkey. These were real quakes, up to 30,000 times as violent as Roer-

mond's tremor. Even so, yesterday's quake caused extensive damage over a wide area. Two dozen people were injured, four seriously, in the German town of Heinsberg, ten miles from the epicentre. They were hit by falling roof slates and masonry when they rushed out into the street in their nightclothes to see what was happening. About 70 houses in the town were damaged, four of them so seriously they will probably have to be pulled down.

Hospitals in Roermond and other southern Dutch towns treated a steady trickle of people for minor injuries all through the morning. In Krefeld, five people were admitted suffering from heart attacks or circulatory collapse.

Stone decoration was flung from the soaring Gothic vaults of Cologne Continued on page 16, col 3

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Kinnock remained the one obstacle that the party he reformed could not jump

Leader who took Labour to the brink of a great victory

BY ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

AMID Labour's writhings in the misery of a fourth successive election defeat we forget how close the party came to a victory which would have required a bigger swing than any since the war. A contest which happened a week earlier, before the triumphalist Sheffield rally, just might have given us a different result. That surely was Neil Kinnock's achievement.

His tragedy was that, hav-ing given his party the organ-isation to fashion an election victory, having restored its will to win and belief that it could do so, he himself remained the one hurdle which Labour could not jump. Thanks partly to the tabloid press. Mr Kinnock continued to drag well behind his party in the opinion polls. He never succeeded in throwing off the common belief that he was too lightweight for No 10. But without Mr Kinnock, his colleagues ask, where would Labour be today?

John Smith holds instinctively the pro-European, multilateralist positions which Labour officially holds today. Mr Kinnock had to bear the opprobrium of pub-licly changing his mind. But would someone who started on the right have been able to move the party across the spectrum? Would anyone else have had the tenacity which Mr Kinnock showed in

marginalising Militant? When he took over as lead-er in 1983, Mr Kinnock knew that Labour had lost its hold on the pulse of the working man. It had only 27 per cent of the national vote and its ranks had been decimated by departures to the SDP. Margaret Thatcher had captured the C2s. Mr Kinnock

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worked first to give his party the practical means to win an election. No other party leader has shown the same interest in party organisation or achieved the personal dominance over both the national executive and the shadow cabinet. Like Mrs Thatcher, he did not have the time for 'distractions" from those who disagreed.

After 1987, when Labour won the campaign but lost the election, the lessons were clear. Labour was suffering still from four main handicaps: the antics of the loony left, outdated policies on defence and Europe, trades union domination and the public perceptions of Mr Kinnock himself. With relentless determination and formidable self-discipline, Mr Kinnock went after them all. The two-year policy review made Labour a party to which social democrats could safely return. Labour became almost overnight a pro-EC party and edged round slowly and painfully to a rejection of unilateralism.

Mr Kinnock took on the left, notably with the memorable speech at the Bournemouth conference in 1985 when he lacerated Liverpool's Militant leaders. He reformed the re-selection process, freeing Labour MPs to fight national battles in the Commons instead of obses-sively guarding their home bases against small pockets of extremists. And he began detaching the union armlock.

No previous leader would have imagined that the left could have been marginal-ised as he sidelined them. Neil Kinnock gained the support to exercise hitherto unthought of powers, such as the crucial imposition of by-

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election candidates. Contrast the morale-sapping loss of Greenwich in 1987 with the successes in Vale of Glarnorgan, Monmouth, and Mid Staffs in the last parliament. He secured the assent of the union movement for its own near-emasculation Labour's affairs.

Leading Labour, a party never too sure that it wants to be led, for the longest stint this century was a sapping task. It was all the tougher for Mr Kinnock because he faced across the despatch box for much of that time the most dominant figure in post-war

At first he was no match for Mrs Thatcher. But slowly he learnt to ask shorter questions, to excise the dependent clauses. By constantly harping on their differences, he helped to open the breach between Mrs Thatcher and Nigel Lawson which weakened the Tories. He made her wriggle occasionally on social issues, and when John Major took over the experienced Mr Kinnock won a fair share of the twice-weekly battles.

Yet he never succeeded in convincing the British public that he was ready for No 10. Patronised by the Oxbridge establishment, subject to whispering campaigns in his own ranks, savaged by the Tory tabloids, he worked under handicap. Against those handicaps he had the courage to come back and back, after the 1987 election defeat, after the 1988 crisis of confidence, after the Tory leadership change saw the Tories soar into the lead in opinion polls again. And he almost made it all the way.

Neil Kinnock demonstrated real political courage. But in the end his changes of front on so many important issues made the Tories' task too easy. He did not do quite enough to shake off the union embrace and his modernisation of the party lacked a crisp enough presentation of the alternative vision of soci-ety which Labour was offering. In the processing Labour's flavour was lost. In his determination to be taken seriously as a statesman he shed some of the warmth that was his first appeal.

He goes down as one of the nearly men of British politics. But none of us who have enjoyed his conference oratory at its peak will ever forget Neil Kinnock in full flow.

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Hattersley kept his instincts

By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

NEIL Kinnock's resignation overshadowed the departure from front-line politics of Labour's most experienced frontbencher. Roy Hatters-ley was one of only two Labour MPs to have served in a cabinet. He will now support the other, John Smith, as Mr Kinnock's successor.

Mr Hattersley, who was prices secretary in the Callaghan government and deputy foreign secretary in the preceding Wilson government, is an old-style Gaitskellite who retained his egalitarian instincts through the revis-ionism of the Kinnock years.

During his first parliament in opposition he served as shadow home secretary. During the first Kinnock term be appeared less certain in the role of shadow chancellor, and in the past five years he has returned to his favoured position of shadowing the Home Office. He would have been home secretary. In spite of his long association with Roy Jenkins, Bill Rodgers and David Owen, he never showed any inclination to join them in the SDP exodus. His loyalty to Labour meant there was never any likeli-

hood of him doing so. In the past year, as Labour appeared to be nearing its goal of power, Mr Hattersley enjoyed a renaissance, hat tling good humouredly with television interviewers and preaching Labour's cause.

Mayhew met with IRA bomb hoaxes

By Edward Gorman, ireland correspondent

THE IRA marked the arrival in Belfast of Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, by bringing the city to a virtual standstill with a series of bomb hoaxes.

As Sir Patrick took up his post at Stormont with a day of briefings with senior officials and police and army officers, there were ten IRA bomb alerts and two controlled ex-plosions. The alerts, and the bombs in the City of London and northwest London on Friday night, underline the IRA's return to a campaign of violence after having reduced its attacks during the election in an attempt to protect the

Sinn Fein vote. Sir Patrick, the tenth Northern Ireland secretary (all but two of whom have been Conservatives) since the imposition of direct rule, may well be confronted with a sustained period of IRA violence in the next few months after the defeat of Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein president,

in west Belfast.

Speaking on the steps of Stormont with his wife Jean, Sir Patrick, 62, said that he was delighted to be appointed to the "best job in British politics". He said that terrorism would not win and he believed Mr Adams's reverse was significant.

"The people of west Belfast turned against, at a demo-

cratic election, the leader of Sinn Fein," he said. "Sinn Fein cannot win at the ballot box and at the poll - that's why they resort to violence. They can't win by violence

Sir Patrick praised the security forces and what he called the "unshakable integtity" of the judicial system in Northern Ireland. He also emphasised that Northern Ireland remained part of the United Kingdom because of the democratic wish of the majority that it should do so.

He dismissed suggestions that controversial decisions with which he was associated as Attorney-General, notably the halting of prosecutions of police officers involved in the so-called shoot to kill episode. would return to haunt him in his new role. "When you arrive anywhere, you may arrive with baggage," he said. "But you put it down and you get on with the job."

Sir Patrick's main task will be to oversee the resumption of inter-party talks which are expected to follow an Anglo-Irish Conference meeting scheduled for the end of next week in London. Yesterday he committed himself to that process and paid tribute to Peter Brooke, his predeces-

Major chooses his team

BY NICHOLAS WOOD POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major will today complete appointments in his new government by announcing an extensive reshuffle of his junior and middle-ranking ministers.

Eight ministers below cabinet rank lost their seats in the election. Among those tipped for promotion are Stephen Dorrell, a junior health minister, and David Madean and David Curry, junior agriculture ministers.

John Redwood, the minister for corporate affairs, Roger Freeman, a transport minister, and and David Heathcoat-Amory, a junior energy minister, are being to join Norm: Lamont's Tresury team. Tom Sackville and Neil Hamilton, two junior whips, might get

departmental posts. Edwina Currie, who resigned as junior health minister over the salmonelia in eggs affair, is likely to return. Iain Sproat and Michael Ancram, two former ministers who regained their places in the Commons at the election, could return as middle-

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attacks on the Labour party.

but in all other respects his

assessment is correct. The

government elected on April

9, 1992, does not have, and

will not develop, the policies

necessary to strengthen the British economy, and will not

try to address the injustices in

My great regret is that I failed to ensure that enough

people understood that, and

the implications which it has

for the future. My sorrow is that millions, particularly

those who do not have the

strength to defend them

selves, will suffer because of

the election of another Con-

I make, and I seek, no

excuses, and I express no

bitterness when I say that the

Conservative-supporting press has enabled the Tory

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the Conservative party could

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"Never has their attack on

Conservatives.

Ex-minister posted to Bermuda

Lord Waddington, leader of the House of Lords until the post-election reshuffle, is to be the new governor of Bermuda, one of Britain's few temaining dependent terri-tories (Michael Binyon writes). He takes up his post in the summer, succeeding Sir Desmond Langley, who was appointed in 1989.

Lord Waddington, a former home secretary, was moved to the Lords by John Major when he took over from Margaret Thatcher, but he has been unable to ensure a smooth ride for government legislation in the upper cham-

Bermuda has acquired an unfortunate reputation as a dumping ground for senior figures

Queen honours Major's men

Two retiring members of John Major's cabinet were invested as Companions of Honour by the Queen at Buckingham Palace yesterday. day. Kenneth Baker and Peter Brooke joined a select band of 65 members of the

The Queen held a Privy Council meeting yesterday to welcome new members of the cabinet and to receive back the seals of office from outgo-ing members, who included Tom King from defence, Chris Patten, formerly Chancellor of the Duchy of Laneaster, and Mr Baker and Mr

Referendum plea rejected

Calls by opposition parties for. multi-option referendum on Scotland's constitution are based on vague, abstract ideas that could not seriously be put to the electorate, senior Conservatives said last night.

fan Lang, the Scottish sec-retary, said: "It is absurd for Labour to put themselves in a osition of supporting a referendum when, until last Thursday, they wanted to oist on the people of Scotland their own proposals for con-stitutional change."

TV listings

In some copies of The Times on Saturday and yesterday. details of television and radio programmes did not appear because of technical difficulties.

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My action is an essential act of leadership'

The full text of Mr Kinnock's statement reads:

in the wake of the election defeat. I am taking action which, in my judgment as leader, will serve in the best interests of the Labour party. trust that members and supporters will understand and support the course which am going to follow.

The decisions which I have made will require rapid change. Those decisions have not, however, been taken hastily. They result from rational consideration which I have given over a period of time to the future of the Labour party. I will not be seeking re-election as leader of the Labour party. To ensure that new leadership elections can be completed without delay, I will be proposing to the national executive committee meeting tomorrow that the elections be held as quickly as proper organisation allows. The elections will, therefore take place in the second half of June. My resignation will take effect from the date of the elections. The deputy leader, Roy Hattersley, shares my view of the course which must be followed and will act

accordingly.
This timetable will make it ssible for the parliamentay Labour party to elect a new hadow cabinet well before the summer recess. In providing for these developments I am seeking to ensure that the Labour party can get on with its work with maximum speed and effectiveness. This vill prove to be particularly important when the government has a small majority and faces the continuing and very deep economic difficulties it has caused the country. In these circumstances I

am certain that it would not

be right for the Labour party

to wait until October before

establishing the leadership team and the political course which must be followed.

As the election process opens I have only one piece of advice for the Labour movement: do not feed and do not believe the press and broadcasting media in their reporting of these events. The Labour party must conduct its own democratic election

I am seeking to ensure that the Labour party can get on with its work with maximum speed and effectiveness 9

and do it in a way that brings credit and strength. That was done in 1983. I am sure it will be done again.

I am taking the opportuniof this statement to notify the Labour party of my intention to seek election to the constituency section of the national executive committee at this year's annual confer-ence. My purpose in doing that is to try to continue to play an active and supportive part in sustaining the advances in democracy and policy which I believe to be vital to the success of the party.

I want to record my heartfelt thanks to Roy Hattersley. the rest of the shadow cabinet and the national executive committee for their loyalty, hard work and for the personal and political qualities which have been a source of strength in the recent campaign and for a very long time before that. I also want to express my admiration for members of the Labour party. old and new, whose dedica-tion to the progress of the party and to the well-being of the community makes me proud of them and confident that our cause of democratic socialism will prevail.

I want them and the many others who have sent countless numbers of moving messages of support to know that deeply appreciate their great kindness. I assure them that the action that I am taking is an essential act of leadership. It is not to do with any personal sensitivity - it arises entirely from my desire to see that the Labour party will gain further strength and be better able to serve the people of Britain and the wider world community.

This is an appropriate time for me to ask all those who wanted Labour to win to join the Labour party and add to the breadth of its support. In the wake of the general election many people want to express their feeling of determined commitment to the politics of mercy and justice and to the policies of economic renewal. Joining the Labour party will give them a practical way of making those eelings count. There will be many opportunities to consider the causes and consequences of last

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necessary to strengthen the British economy

Thursday's election result. I will content myself, for the moment, with drawing attention to the words of the former treasurer of the Conservative party, Lord McAlpine. in yesterday's Sunday Telegraph: "The heroes of this campaign." said Lord McAlpine, "were Sir David English (editor of the Daily Mail). Sir Nicholas Lloyd (editor of the Daily Express, Kelvin MacKenzie (editor of the Sun) and the other editors of the grander Tory press. Never in the past nine elections have they come out so

not have secured victory for itself on the basis of its record. Deputy makes farewell tribute its programme or its charac-ter. The relationship between the Conservative party and

Mr Hattersley's letter to Mr Kinnock read: Dear Neil.

I have written to Larry Whitty telling him I propose to resign the deputy leadership of the Labour party with effect from the special conference which elects a new leadership

In the weeks and months ahead I shall play full part in the debate about Labour's future. Today, I do no more than offer you my thanks for your friendship during the years in which we have served together and express

challenge for government again. Your constitutional and policy reforms brought us back into the mainstream of politics.

No-one else could have achieved so much during the last difficult eight years. When Labour wins the general election — as will clearly be within our power in four to five years time — much of the credit for that victory will be owed to you.

my admiration for the way in which you have those newspapers which Lord McAlpine describes as being led the party. When you became leader there was a real fear that Labour could never edited by "heroes" is a fact of

British political life. I did think that it would be possible this time to succeed in achieving change in spite of that. Clearly it wasn't Success will therefore have to wait. But it will come, and l will work for it.

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Father of murdered girl describes his second escape from a terrorist explosion

Relatives condemn City death blast

BY PETER VICTOR

RELATIVES of two of the people killed in the Baltic Exchange bomb blast in the City of London condemned the IRA yesterday, saying that they seared that the violence surrounding Northern Ireland would never end.

Speaking at a press conference in the City, Danny Carter, the father of Danielle, 15, who died in the explosion, and Christiane, eight, who is in hospital, said that he feared for future victims. "I was 25ft away when the Carlton Club, the Conservative club, went up," he said.
"This is the second time I've been very, very lucky. I've got anger in me, but this isn't going to stop. It has been going on for 300 years. There are people before me who have suffered. My feelings go out to the people who get it next. They're sick in their

minds. Sometimes overcome by emotion, Mr Carter, a chauffeur, described events that led to his daughter's death. He had been returning a company car on Friday evening, having arranged for Wayne Lythcott, his estranged wife's boy friend, to follow him and take him home, when the bomb was detonated. Also in the car were Christiane, her friend. Sara Saddoo, seven,



Danielle Carter: killed in Friday's explosion and Danielle's boy friend

Craig Wilkes, 16. Mr Carter was in a car park under the Commercial Union building, which took the full force of the blast. He emerged to find that Mr Lythcott had evacuated the car. Danielle was lying on the pavement, but the others were taken to Guy's hospital by a taxi

"I was hysterical," Mr Carter said. "There was blood around her face. I started screaming 'My baby, my

Mr Carter appealed for help in tracing the taxi driver who helped his daughters. His wish was echoed by

Kay Meekings, his former

ing their own lives. David Buck, brother-in-law of Thomas Casey, a 49-year-old doorman at the Baltic Exchange, who died, also criticised the IRA. He said that Mr Casey left four children - Sarah, 19, Mark, 17, Elizabeth, 15, and David, "I would just like to say to

wife, who asked also to be

given the chance to thank a

police officer who had at-

tempted resuscitation on

Danielle. She condemned the IRA as "scum". Danielle had

sympathised with calls to pull

roops out of Northern Ire-

land, she said, adding:

Danielle was a believer. She

wasn't racist; she believed South Africa should be given back to the blacks. She be-

lieved that Northern Ireland

should be given back to the Irish people, it belonged to them. And it's just them bastards that killed her."

Christiane had still not ab-

sorbed the news of her sister's

death. Mrs Meekings said. "She's only eight," she said.

"It's hard for anyone to ac-

cept. It's something when we

get her home, hopefully, she

will be able to come to terms

with. At the moment, she's

Christiane might need plastic surgery for facial inju-

ries, but was now making

good progress in hospital.

"I've lost Danielle, but I've got Christiane back." Mrs Meekings said.

Kenneth Clarke, the new

home secretary, spent 15 minutes chatting to Christ-

iane and Sara at Guy's and

Danielle's parents paid tribute to Mr Wilkes and Mr Lyphcott, who tried to shield the girls from the blast, risk-

praised their courage.

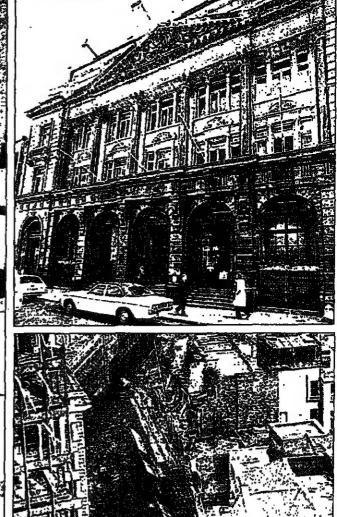
still in shock."

the people who have done this: if they could just spend some time with these childen. I am sure that this would never go on," Mr Buck said. Every time I look at the face of the youngest, it's written

Mr Casey, of Barking, Es-sex, had worked at the Baltic Exchange for five years.

The third person to die was
Paul Butt, 29.





Back in business: dealers work from temporary offices in the Lloyd's building after the Baltic Exchange, top right, was wrecked, bottom right

City firms pick up the pieces after bombing

By LJN JENKINS

AS A stream of documents and papers fluttered down from the 23-storey Commercial Union Tower, Robert Hiscox pointed a few floors up to the shattered window of what had been his office.

Like all those who were allowed back briefly to rescue vital material, he was clutching his hard hat. Computer records had been salvaged and temporary accommoda-tion found for his Lloyd's underwriting firm, but the scale of the damage from the IRA bomb was still difficult to comprehend. "Look, that's where I used to be . . . we had 120 people in our offices," he

Mr Hiscox's initial concern was to keep business going. An associate company in the Lloyd's building had offered space, but he was already looking at renting somewhere more permanent. "We're looking for 10,000 square feet. Thank God it is now, with spare capacity in the City and not three years ago."

The full impact of the explosion became clear only once inside. "There are shards of glass stuck six inches into ceilings, the partitions have all blown down and the furniture is matchsticks."

Commercial Union moved City staff to their offices in Croydon and Devonshire Square, and the Baltic Exchange accepted an offer from David Coleridge, the Lloyd's chairman, to set up a trading floor in their relatively unscathed building. Peter Tudball, chairman of

the Baltic Exchange, the world's leading market for the chartering and sale of cargo ships, said business was continuing from various offices and vowed that the impressive grade two starred listed building would be re-built. "We will return to the

building, although it may not

be for many years. We are

able to continue business here, just 200 yards from the tragic incident, and are looking at the possibility of moving to the Royal Exchange. Corn Exchange or Billingsgate market."

Much of the building, one of the few from its time to have survived postwar redevelopment, is shored up by scaffolding. Designed by T. H. Smith and W. Wimble and completed in 1903, its lower floors, faced with pink marble, and marble columned trading hall with its

central dome, make it a fine

example of Edwardian commercial architecture. Smaller companies have not found moving so easy. More than 2,000 people

crowded into Guildhall for

help with alternative office

space and information on when they could reopen. Meanwhile, commuters were faced with severe delays yesterday morning after a bomb warning closed Clapham Junction station, in southwest London. No device was found and the station

reopened after less than two

Oxford student sexually attacked as she sleeps

AN OXFORD University student is to undergo plastic surgery after she was sexually attacked by an intruder as she

slept in her bed. The 25-year-old postgraduare was repeatedly beaten in the face and indecently assaulted by a man who forced his way into her flat in Oxford early vesterday:

Detectives, who described the attack as sickening, said that the intruder attacked the student at 2.25am in the heart of the city's bed-sit area. He carried out a serious sexual assault before his vic-

tim woke up, terrified. In the struggle which followed she was repeatedly bat-tered about the face and suffered severe bruising to her Her lip was cut so severely

Inquest opens on

THE inquest into the death of farmer whose body was discovered last week near a fire-arm device, was opened in Salisbury yesterday. After hearing evidence of identifi-

In a statement read out yesterday. Dr Roger Ainsworth, a Home Office pathol-

Police are treating the in-



Important Notice to Shareholders Annual and Extraordinary General Meetings Adjournment To Different Venue

Shareholders will be aware that the Annual and an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company have been convened for Tuesday 14th April 1992 at the Queen's Room, Baltic Exchange, St. Mary Axe, London EC3, to commence at 12 Noon and 12:15 p.m., respectively.

As a result of bomb damage and possible danger to the public it will be necessary to adjourn both meetings to a different location.

Shareholders are therefore advised that the meetings will be opened at the times stated in the notice of meeting for the sole purpose of the adjournment thereof. All other business will be transacted at the adjourned meetings, which will be held at:-

THE PORTER TUN ROOM, THE BREWERY, CHISWELL STREET, LONDON EC1

The adjourned Annual General Meeting will commence at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday 14th April 1992 and the adjourned Extraordinary General Meeting will commence at 2:15 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the business of the Annual General Meeting shall have been concluded.

Shareholders are requested to direct any enquiries to the Commercial Union Shareholder Relations Service on 071-283 7500 extension 28866.

K.N. Grant Secretary

Bereaved: Kay Meekings, who condemned the bombers that took her daughter's life

asıhma attack.

inquest was unnecessary.

The court heard that Dr

that she requires plastic sur-

Her solicitor. Jane Deighton, later said the family wanted to find out how the grotesque circumstances of her death happened. "In parclear that, in all cases where medical causes of death combined with other causes, coro-

gery. She was said to be com-fortable yesterday in the John Raddiffe hospital in Oxford. The student, spattered with blood, fled into the street after grappling with the intruder for five minutes.

She raised the alarm by waking her three university flatmates, two women and a man, who had slept through

The intruder ran through the back garden into a nearby street and escaped. Yesterday police began a an investigation into the attack.

Detective Sergeant Phil Dennis of Oxford CID said: This was a quite sickening attack on a woman asleep in her own bed.

"It is a sad day when women are not safe in their own homes.

"She is particularly dis-tressed and has been in con-siderable pain from the injuries she suffered. Her lip has been sliced in two and she has some nasty facial wounds. There was a lot of blood."

The attacker was said to be white, in his early twenties, 5ft 10in tall, of medium build and clean shaven. He had light hair and wore light col-oured jeans and a white

Coroner overruled

THE High Court yesterday ordered an inquest to be held on a 17-year-old schoolgirl who died after an ambulance failed to arrive in time when she was suffering a severe

Two judges ruled that Douglas Chambers, coroner for Poplar, east London, was wrong in law when he decided in April 1989 that the death of Mavis Thomas, a life-long asthmatic, was due to natural causes and that an

Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Tudor Evans held there was "a clear public interest that the facts should be investigated by means of an inquest". They allowed a judi-cial review application by Doris Thomas, of Hackney, east London, Mavis's mother.

ticular, they were horrified when their 999 call for an ambulance was answered by a machine." The case made ners would have to hold inquests, she said.

Roy Davies, consultant physician and cardiologist, had said that, had Mavis arrived at hospital earlier, "she would almost certainly have been

farmer

BY NICHOLAS WATT

reating evidence of Identification, John Elgar, the coroner, adjourned the hearing to May 29.

Police found Mr Jowett's body last Wednesday on the edge of his 900-acre farm at Winterslow, near Salisbury,

with two bullet wounds in his back. Twenty yards away they found a remote control sys-tem in a wooden box with a shotgun, an arming device and an electrical wire leading away. Mr Jowen, 43, was shot at close range and ap-parently staggered away from the device.

ogist, confirmed that Mr Jowett died of gunshot wounds to the chest. The cor-oner confirmed that "missiles" had entered Mr Jowett's body through his

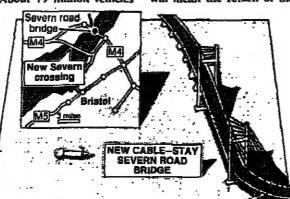
vestigation as a murder en-quiry. Accidental death has not been ruled out.

Toll rises to fund new Severn bridge

MOTORISTS using the Severn Bridge will be charged nothing to leave Wales in two weeks while those wishing to return to it will have to pay

The new arrangement will not further the aspirations of Welsh nationalists for a taxlevving independent nation. The increase in toll charges will be used partly to finance a new £300 million crossing of the river, three miles downstream, which will provide better access for caravan-towing cars and other

Announcing the changes yesterday. Severn River Crossing, the Anglo-French consortium taking over the running of the present bridge, said that from April 26 drivers would pay one way, westbound. The tolls will increase from £1 each way for cars to a £2.80 re-turn, and from £2 for light goods vehicles and small buses to £5.60, with a charge of £8.40 for lorries and buses.
About 19 million vehicles use the bridge every year, subjecting it to a punishment that appears to regular users to have resulted in continual delays. Although the immi-nent completion of an £80 million repair programme will mean the return of the



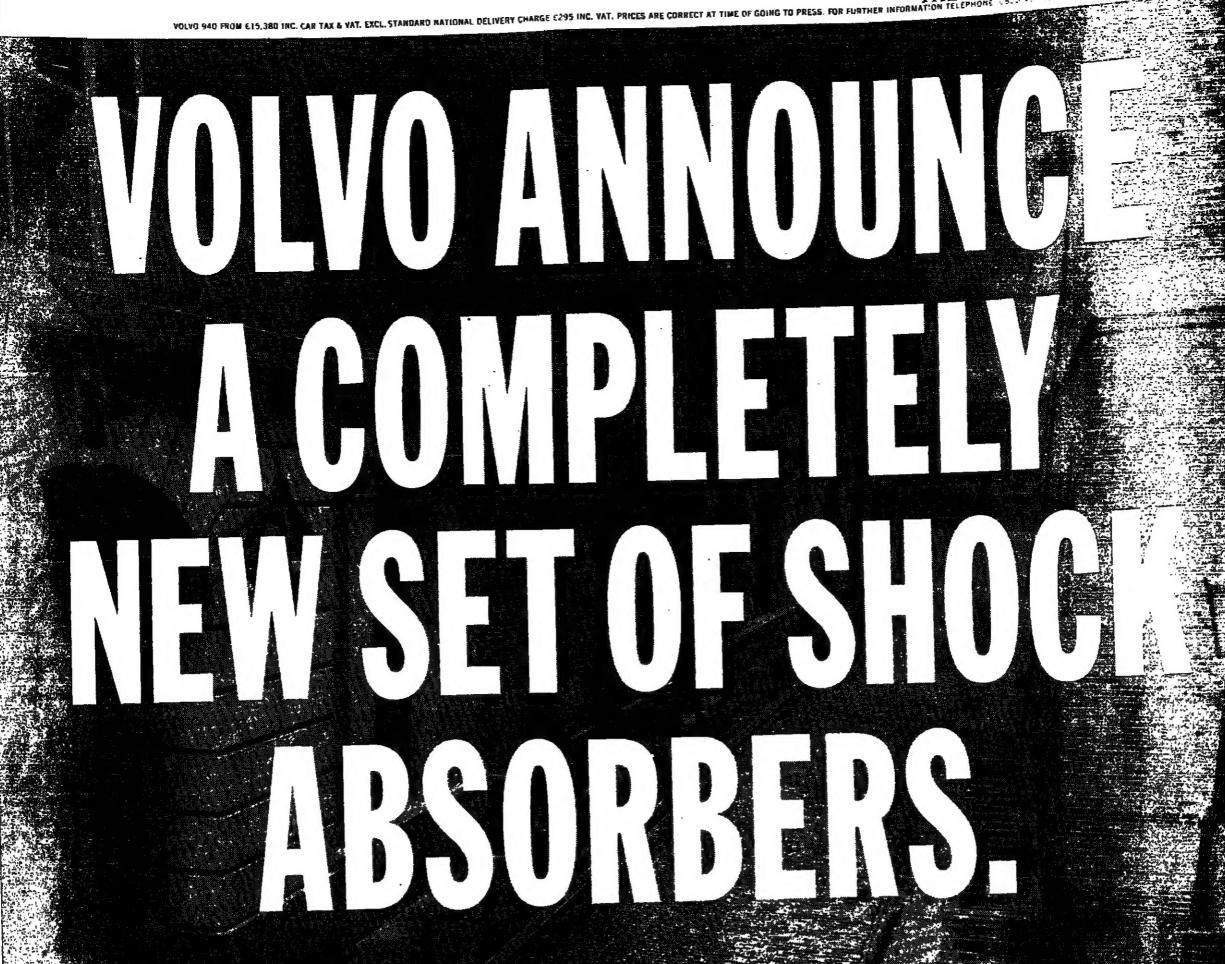
70mph speed limit for the first time in five years, the company said new delays would occur while the "toll

would occur while the "toll plaza" was being converted to one-way charging.

The company said the new system, including electronic "tag" marking for regular users, should eventually speed up traffic on the 26-year-old bridge. Lord Hooson, the company's chairman, said the new bridge, sheduled to open in about four years, would be self-financing. When the present bridge was being built, the self-styled Free Wales Army,

whose former "chaplain" is a lecturer of English, vowed to blow it up. Their threats resulted in a big security operation when it was opened by

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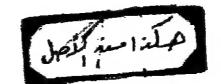
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Princess Royal applies for divorce after 18-year marriage



The Princess Royal: children a priority

THE Princess Royal has pet-itioned for divorce from Captain Mark Phillips, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday. The couple, who have been married for 18 years, legally separated in 1989 and were always expected to end their marriage after a

wait of at least two years. In a brief statement, the palace said: "Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal and Captain Mark Phillips have agreed, after more than two years of separation, that their marriage should for-mally be ended. Accordingly, Her Royal Highness is starting the necessary legal pro-

That the princess rather than Captain Phillips should initiate proceedings is being

technicality; one party has to do it, and it was mutually agreed that it should be her. Palace sources emphas-

ised yesterday that no third party had played any part in the decision to divorce. The disclosure last year that Captain Phillips faced a pat-ernity suit from Heather Tonkin, a New Zealand have no bearing on the decision. Captain Phillips has said that he will contest Ms Tonkin's claims.

The princess's petition was

presented at the Divorce Registry yesterday, and a decree nisi is expected within a few days. Palace sources said that the divorce had been agreed on a friendly basis by

Buckingham Palace yesterday announced moves to end the marriage of the Princess Royal and Captain Mark Phillips. Alan Hamilton reports

both parties, with the happi-ness of their two children

given priority.

Terms of the financial settlement are to remain private, but it is known that the princess and her children will continue to live at Gatcombe Park, Gloucestershire. Captain Phillips, who will carry on farming at Asion Farm on the Gatcombe estate, will have unlimited access to the children.

The couple will continue to run the annual three-day equestrian event at Gatcombe,

which they have built up into a successful enterprise. Captain Phillips will continue promoting equestrian events in Britain and abroad.

The princess, who had no official engagements yesterday, spent the day at Gatcombe with her children, Peter, 14, a boarder at Gor-donstoun school, and Zara, ten, who attends Port Regis preparatory boarding school in Dorset.

Under the Royal Mar-riages Act of 1772, there is no obligation on the

Queen's children to seek her permission to divorce, although it has become custom and practice that they do so. The Queen, however much she may urge attempts at reconciliation, is powerless in the face of the inevitable. Both the prime minister and the Archbishop of Canterbury were, however, told in advance of the princess's

After their separation in 1976. Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon waited two years before divorcing. Unless there is a reconciliation, the Duke and Duchess and York are likely to follow a similar course.

Divorce will not affect the Princess Royal's position as eighth in line to the throne.

of £154,500, which covers her public duties, by far the most numerous of any member of the royal family, bar

the Queen. Captain Phillips and the Princess Royal met through their mutual interest in equestrianism, in which both won prominence.

They married in 1973, with the full romantic panoply of a service in Westmin-

Immediately after marriage, the couple lived a Services life in married quarters at Sandhurst, where Captain Phillips was an instructor. He was clearly never going to be a career army officer

Diary, page 12



Captain Phillips: no third party involved

Runaway

prisoner

caught at

airport

Teachers' union welcomes Patten

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE five-year-old daughter of John Patten, the education secretary, yesterday became an unwitting proxy to measure the government's hand-ling of state schools.

Heather Ryan, president of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association, welcomed Mr Patten's appointment because of his experience as a university lecturer and because he has a child at a state school. Before the election, no cabinet minister had children at state schools.

However, at a press conference to mark the opening of the association's conference in Solihull, Peter Smith, the general secretary, said: Under local management of schools and open enrolment. John Patten can choose any publicly funded school he

wishes to send his daughter. If he decides to take his daughter out of the publicly funded system, he is in fact appraising his government's performance and his own as secretary of state."

The association has invited Mr Patten to make his first public appearance as education secretary at the conference today. Mrs Ryan hoped that he would be a more frequent visitor to schools than his "unlamented predecessor", Kenneth Clarke.

its reduced majority as an expression of concern at its edu-cational reforms, Mr Smith said. "If they do not listen to that message, they could be in for as much of a surprise at

Students want fees scrapped at colleges

BY MATTHEW D'ANCONA, EDUCATION REPORTER

THE outgoing president of the National Union of Students called yesterday for an immediate government commitment to free higher

Stephen Twigg told the union's annual conference in Blackpool that the fourth Conservative victory was not a mandate to underfund education. "Last summer we witnessed the damaging consequences of government policy on student financial support. Our priority must be to maximise pressure on Mr Patten (the education secretary] to reinstate benefits for students in the summer

The union would pressurise the parliamentary select com-

duce a report on the student finance system. The union fears underfunding may force colleges to charge students top up fees of more than £1,000 a year, an option discussed by the committee of

vice-chancellors

The government has made the expansion of post-16 education a priority," Mr Twigg said. "If that expansion is to widen truly access to our colleges, it cannot be accompanied by a policy of charging fees." The govern-ment's position had been that this was a matter for the colleges, not for government. This was simply not good

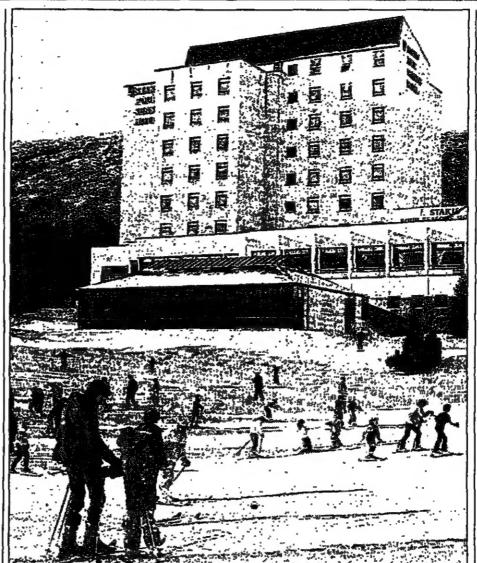
Delegates called for league tables of schools' raw examination data to be reconsidered, and deplored proposals for privatised school inspectors. The association is pre-pared to accept publication of results if they measure the "value added" by schools.

Adrian Kilburn, of Wyke Sixth Form College, Hull, said examination leagues could mislead parents about the quality of schools. "We must find a way of measuring that which is valuable, rather than valuing that which is easily measurable."

In her presidential address. Mrs Ryan, a primary school teacher from Scunthorpe, said that difficulties arose for teachers of children as young as six with the national curriculum's inclusion of health education. In one classroom discussion, a boy knew what a condom was, but thought it was worn on the fingers. "It is not the responsibility of infants teachers to teach sex education," Mrs Ryan said. "What we are talking about in the national curriculum is the human body."

Muddled planning, impossible targets and ill thought-out pilot studies had forced many teachers to work up to 70 hours a week to cope with increased workload, Mrs Ryan said. Using schools as laboratories for doctrinaire curriculum, assessment and funding experiments is squeezing the life and creativity out of the education service, and treating children as

She said that teachers had been subjected to a barrage of vicious and unfair criticism in recent years. "We have been made the scapegoats for the weaknessess and failures discovered or alleged - of the



Concrete proposals: skiers on the Four Seasons hotel lawn at Aviemore

Cool £27m to improve Aviemore

AVIEMORE, the purpose-built Highlands holiday centre and an example of misguided Sixties planning. is to have £27 million worth of improvements to make it more attractive to tourists.

The owner of Aviemore Stakis, is about to sell the centre and its surrounding properties to Consolidate Land and Estates, which is

expected to gain approval for the redevelopment scheme this week. Stakis plans to keep two hotels.
Consolidated hopes that

the Highland regional council will give £3 million to-wards a link road and visitor centre. The proposal in-cludes an ice rink, swimming pool, heritage centre, better conference centre, sports complex, houses and shops, to be completed by 1999.

Peter Mackintosh, the region's development director, says that Aviemore will be in serious difficulty if the opportunity for reinves

not taken quickly. The centre opened in 1966 with the aim of becoming a leading tourist attractions By the mid-Eighties it had e an eyesore. There was little investment and the number of tourists was falling. Stakis took over in 1986.

Short takes back some ground lost to Karpov

By RAYMOND KEENE

CHESS CORRESPONDENT BRITAIN'S chess hope, Nigel Short, recovered some ground in the second game of his world championship semi-final in Linares, Spain, against the former champion, Anatoly Karpov.

Karpov defended with his favourite Caro-Kann, and profound manoeuvres again ensued in which both sides seemed concerned to play cautiously rather than risk all in going for victory. The draw came after a repetition of position on the 32nd move.

The score is Karpov I'2, Short 2, with the third game to be played today. In the second game of the semi-final between Artur Yusupov and Jan Timman, a

Short v Karpov (Short



Short v Karpov: final position in game two

A runaway prisoner's deci-sion to go for a holiday in the plane to Ibiza. Phillip Wright, 24, had been on the run for nearly 18 months when he set off for a

sun was his undoing when he was arrested trying to board a

holiday with his wife Alison, 21. A tip-off brought police to Manchester Airport and Wright, who had a false passport, was taken to a Tyneside police cell to explain his absence from Acklington Prison in Northumberland.

Charges stand

An attempt to set aside private manslaughter charges over the Marchioness river disaster failed in the High Court yesterday. The firm that owns the dredger Bowbelle, and four senior managers, claimed that the private prosecution was an "abuse" of the process of the court. The prosecution was launched by Ivor Glogg whose wife died when the Bowbelle collided with the Marchioness on the Thames in August 1989.

Third acquittal A third defendant in the Strangeways riots trial was acquired yesterday at Man-chester crown court. John McLatchie, 35, had denied being involved in the start of the riot at Manchester prison.

The jury continues its delib-erations today. Jail challenge

Almost six out of ten people held in jail on remand are found not guilty or are given non-custodial sentences, according to the Howard League. The charity said that in 1989, 38.921 of the 65,905 people remanded in custody did not receive jail

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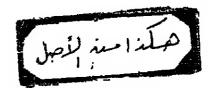
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Five-year-olds fail to win right to housing

TWO infants are not entitled to apply for council accommodation that has already been denied to their intentionally homeless parents, it was decided in the High Court yesterday.

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The test case, brought on behalf of Moses Bentum and Graham Garlick, both aged five, was dismissed by Mr Justice Henry because allowing them to apply for accom-modation would defeat the purpose of housing legisla-tion. The rejections of applications from Moses to the London borough of Bexley and from Graham to Oldham council were upheld. Counsel for the boys said that they were considering an

Brenda Morris, for Bexley council, said that the authority would continue to provide temporary housing for the Bentum family pending an appeal. Sharon Garlick, 20, a single mother, is not living in

council housing.

Mr Justice Henry said that in passing the 1985 Housing Act, Parliament clearly intended not to separate families and to give priority to families that were not inten-tionally homeless. To allow applications from normal, healthy children from families already refused accommodation was not a move the court could permit.

"The intention of Parliament is clear," the judge said.
"Families with dependent children automatically receive housing priority, but that priority is lessened when the applicant is homeless in-tentionally. In these circumstances, to allow dependent children to apply in their own right seems to me to defeat the clear intention of Parliament."

Mr Justice Henry said that if the boys' applications had been found to be valid, many other homeless families would have been entitled to seek council housing through fresh applications made by their children. The judge said that he was dealing with the factual position relating to healthy children, not those with problems, which might give rise to applications based on vulnerability because of mental illness or other

Moses Bentum had arrived in Britain with his perents, political refugees from Ghana, the judge said. They had bought a home in Thamesmead, southeast London, but it had been repossessed because they had failed to keep up payments, and they had presented themselves as homeless to Bedey council in August 1990.

In February 1991, their three other children and a grandchild arrived from Ghana and were included in the application for housing. Last September, the parents were declared intentionally homeless because the council

found that there had been "a deliberate omission" to keep

up payments. Graham Garlick's mother was declared intentionally homeless by Oldham council after eviction from council property on the Sholver estate in January last year because she had run up rent arrears.
She had spent her rent money
on her boy friend's drug habit
and is living in temporary accommodation.

John Maudsley, Oldham's housing director, said that, although he sympathised on a personal level with the Garlicks, the court decision was "a victory for common sense". He added that Mrs Garlick had been given plenty of opportunity to settle rent arrears totalling £571. Homelessness is harming children in 40,000 families in London, according to a re-port by the London Home-

lessness Forum, published today. All children in temporary housing should be recog-nised as "children in need" by Flowering talent: Hitoshi Takano, five, will make social services and provided his opera debut tomorrow in a production of Madam Butterfly at the London Coliseum with the necessary care and community services.



THE amount of electricity produced from renewable sources including solar, wave and wind power should be greatly increased, a report by an all-party committee of MPs said yesterday.

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The call for raising targets from 1,000 megawans to between 3,000 and 4,000MW is made in the Energy Select Committee's fourth report on renewables. The committee wants more funds to be spent on research and development into promising but longer term renewable technologies including offshore wind turbines and wave nower.

The Non-Fossil Fuel Obligation, a levy that encourages developers of environment-friendly power schemes, should also be extended beyond 1998. The levy should include Northern Ireland and Scotland, which have so far been excluded, the MPs

The findings were wel-comed by Friends of the Earth. Michael Harper, the group's renewable energy campaigner, called on Michael Hospitas has now to deael Heseltine, the new trade and industry secretary whose department took over the energy department this week, to

implement the proposals immediately.

The report has been published as British industry awaits findings from the former energy department's own review of renewables set up in August last year. Mr Harper said there was concern that the Renewable Energy Advisory Group's report, which has taken evidence from nearly 1,000 groups, may fall victim to the cabinet and departmental reshuffles.

The advisory group was the inspiration of Colin Moynihan, the former energy junior minister who lost his seat at the election. A new minister is likely to be named today.

There is also growing concern over the fate of the Energy Technology Support Unit, the body that orchestrates the government's energy saving and renewable energy research and policy. Under the departmental

changes, the unit's energy saving operations are being placed under the control of the environment department which insiders fear could undermind its viability.

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Airlifted horse falls to its death

A horse slipped out of a sling and fell 50ft to its death while being airlifted by a police helicopter after it had been

rescued from a peat bog. The West Yorkshire police helicopter was called in after the horse had twice become stuck in the bog at Meltham after bolting and throwing its rider. It was pulled clear by firemen the first time but bolted again. After being carried for half a mile across moorland at Deer Hill Moss. the horse, covered in mud, slipped out of the sling attached to the helicopter.

Search halted

Canadian Mounties have called off a search for the body of Charles Horvath, 20, of Sowerby, West Yorkshire, who was thought to have been murdered and dumped in a lake in British Columbia three years ago.

Hosepipe ban

Southern Water Authority in Chatham, Kent, has imposed a drought order banning the use of hosepipes. The com-pany said that the decision for the fourth year running was taken to save reserve supplies.

Election results in Scottish seats

The following Scottish constituencies were omitted from Saturday's election

CARRICK, CUMNOCK AND DOON

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Douglas, C E (SNP)
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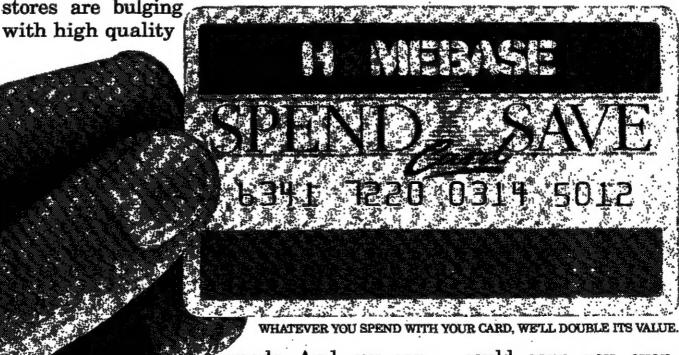
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Rival councils put £3m aside to fight for survival

BY DOUGLAS BROOM, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

COUNCILS in England and Wales are planning to spend up to £3 million on a fight for survival in the biggest reorganisation of local gov-ernment for two decades. But caution has been urged by Geoffrey Filkin, secretary of the Association of District Councils, who said: "We must always remember that this is public money that we are using."

A commission chaired by Sir John Banham, director general of the CBI, will begin the task of creating a single tier of all-purpose councils this autumn. The commission aims to replace the two tiers of county and district councils, created in 1974, within five years, although the review will not extend to London or the metropolitan

A survey in the Local Gov-ernment Chronicle has found that eight in ten of the 335 councils likely to be affected have appointed consultants to advise them on the best way to fight their corner. That is double the number in January, when a similar survey found that councils were pre-paring to spend £1.5 million to cope with reorganisation. Associations representing county and district councils have hired firms of consultants to collect evidence to

support their positions. Sir John's commission is due to make its first recommendation next year. The first of the unitary authorities will be created in April 1994, probably in what are now the counties of Avon and Humberside. Until now county and district councils have sought to avoid confrontation over which should take over from the other, but many have decided that the time

In the first sign of the new mood the 14 district councils in Essex yesterday called for the county to be among the first to be reformed, declaring that they were ready to take over all the county council's

has come to go on the

According to the Local Government Chronicle survey, consultants reported a 53



Sir John: five years to end two-tier system

between January and the end of last month. The largest number of contracts had been won by the CSL group, which was advising 75 councils. Touche Ross reported that it had contracts with 74 councils, and Coopers and Lybrand Deloitte and KPMG Peat Marwick had been appointed by the county and district council associa-

tions respectively.

Mr Filkin, whose association of district councis has set up a consulting arm that has contracts with 19 councils, said: "At the moment we still don't know exactly how reorganisation will take place, what the ground rules will be or which authorities will be first in to bat. My advice to councils is not to

rush into things."

He urged his member councils to carry out their own research to prepare factual information on which to argue their case when it be-came clear what sort of reform was in prospect.

Jake Arnold-Forster, polit-

ical editor of the Local Government Chronicle, said: "No commission carrying out the review is going to refuse to look at consultants' reports prepared for councils. However, the commission would want to commission its own research, so it is too early to say if reports written now will be worth the money spent on them."



Radio role: Dame Judi Dench, who will perform with Kenneth Branagh's Renaissance Theatre Company in a record-ing of Hamlet for BBC Radio 3. Branagh, who has returned from Hollywood to resume control of the company, says he is obsessed with Hamler's elusive character. The recording will mark his debut as

a radio director and the cast will include Sir John Gielgud, Sir Michael Horden, Richard Briers, and Emma Thompson. The broadcast, on April 26, will be the first radio production to use the full text of the play. Patrick Doyle, who wrote the score for Branagh's film version of Henry V, has written the music.

Pub law change urged by Camra

BY DAVID YOUNG

CAMRA, the pressure group for beer drinkers, is calling on the government to liberalise licensing laws to make pubs more attractive to families.
The organisation, which

has 34,000 members, has voted to seek changes in the law so that children are allowed to accompany their parents to more pubs. It believes that the present law is

too confused. Steve Cox, of Camra, said: We hope that the new government will take a closer interest in the problems being faced in the pubs of Britain and we will be making vari-ous submissions over the

coming year."

Camra's proposals come as a report claims that the British pub's reputation as the hub of the community is a myth. Pubgoers are still pre-dominantly male and young in spite of new furnishings and food bars designed to attract a wider range of customers, according to the mar-ket researchers Mintel.

Fewer than half of women visit a pub regularly com-pared with two thirds of men. Nearly nine tenths of people aged 18 to 19 are pub regulars compared with less than

a quarter of the over-65s.

Mintel, which questioned nearly 700 customers, says: "Pub visiting is still heavily biased towards men and young people under 34." The typical customer is likely to be male, under 34 and a skilled manual worker.

Knocked out sailor drifts for 12 hours

A lone sailor drifted uncon scious in his vessel for 12 hours after it was hit by a freak wave in the English

Channel. Henk Bezemer, 46, who was sailing to Plymouth from Holland, was thrown agains: a pillar. He regained consciousness early vesterday and issued a Mayday telling coastguards he did not know where he was.

A coasiguard helicopter from Lee-on-the-Solent. Hampshire, and a lifeboat from Weymouth, found the boat 30 miles off Portland Bill and winched Mr Bezener off. He is comfortable in hospital.

Ransom theft man charged

Andrew Shaw, 44, a car salesman of Silkstone Common. South Yorkshire, was charged yesterday with stealing £2.500 of the Stephanic Slater ransom. He stumbled on the money while walking his dog on a disused railway line. Barnsley magistrates were told. Mr Shaw did not appear as he is on holiday. The hearing was adjourned.

Car deaths

A couple in their twenties and their son aged three have been found dead in their car at a beauty spot near Chideock in Dorset. The fam-ily, from Cheshire, is believed to have been on holiday. Police said that a hosepipe was attached to the exhaust

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Fashanu fined

Justin Fashanu, 30, the footbailer who plays for Torquay United, was banned from driving for four weeks and fined £265 for speeding and falling to produce his licence.

Seaman killed

Jean-Luc Tergis, 35, an assistant bosun, died after he was trapped in a swiftly revolving capstan and thrown against railings on a Channel ferry leaving Portsmouth.

Victims named

Two contractors who died after being overcome by fumes at British Steel's Port Talbot plant in West Glamorgan have been named as Colin Mitchell, 53, and Stan Allder, 55, both of Swansea.

Souness well

Graeme Souness, the Livertinuing to make good progress after open heart surgery.

Gum shield

Dave Riches saved a bleeding sparrow hawk at his Many Hoots owl rescue centre in Studdal, Kent, by sealing a hole in its throat with glue.

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Disease tricks GPs

MANY thousands of people in Britain suffering from a debilitating and incurable disease may be spending years improperly treated because of wrong diagnoses.

The concern was raised yesterday in London at a two-day international conference aimed at making the public and the medical profession more aware of Lupus, a painful auto-immune disease that chiefly affects women. It is known as "the great impersonator" because of similar-ities to other diseases.

One in 2,000 women and one in 18,000 men could be victims of systemic lupus erythematosus. Experts believe that the number could

be higher. Geraldine Leonard, of Lupus UK, a charity based at Romford, Essex, which has helped organise the European Commission-backed conference, said it was vital that specialists and the public

disease so that more money could be raised for research and more people treated property.
"It is so hard to diagnose

because it mimics so many other diseases. We have people who have been treated for 20 years for rheumatoid arthritis but they have in fact got Lupus," Ms Leonard said. Researchers believe the disease, which can be triggered by sunlight, is caused by the body's defence fighting sys-tem overproducing antibodies which then attack other parts of the body. Symptoms include swollen

and painful joints and dam-

age to kidneys, heart tissue.

lungs and blood vessels

Many women can suffer multiple miscarriages. Researchers are studying female hormones, sunlight, stress and drug use, and are seeking a genetic link.

Channel 5 Advertisement of Licence

The Independent Television Commission (ITC) is inviting applications for a single licence to provide a television broadcasting service on the new Channel 5, to commence no later than the end of 1994.

The licence, if granted, will be for a term of ten years and will be awarded by competitive tender in accordance with the terms of the Broadcasting Act 1990.

The licensee will be expected to broadcast to at least 30 per cent of the United Kingdom population by the end of the first year of operation and up to 74 per cent by the end of the sixth year using 33 designated transmitter sites. This is the extent of coverage possible using terrestrial transmission.

The Invitation to Apply specifying the terms and conditions relating to the provision of the Channel 5 service, together with a draft licence, is available from the Secretary to the Independent Television Commission, 70 Brompton Road, London SW3 1EY.

Applications addressed to the Secretary to the Commission, giving information in the form specified in the Invitation to Apply document, together with the application fee, should reach the ITC not later than noon on Tuesday 7 July 1992.



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out sailor Yeltsin gets ministers to delay resignation

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

which has pioneered wideranging economic reforms, yesterday tendered its resig-nation to President Yeltsin on the grounds that opposition from the republic's legislature made its work impossible. But Mr Yeltsin persuaded ministers to remain in office at least until the Congress of People's Deputies ends its

work, probably on Friday.
The ministers had stormed out after Ruslan Khasbulatov, the congress chairman, accused them of trying to blackmail parliament by submitting their resignations. He said they were "kids who had lost their way".

Led by Yegor Gaidar, the first deputy prime minister,

the ministers said earlier that a resolution passed by the

Liberal Sobchak changes his tone

By BRUCE CLARE

IT IS less than three years since Anatoli Sobchak won the hearts of liberal Rus-sians for his brilliant puttimers in parliament, and barely a year since he cap-tured Western imagination as a visionary mayor who planned to restore St Petersburg as a window on

The silver-tongued law professor remains a shrewd and formidable player in Russia's political drama. Yet his current persona could hardly be more different from the role which he initially took on.

Mr Sobchak's first taste of senior office came in 1990 when liberal city councillors, victorious in tested elections, begged him to become their chairman. Now they are de-nouncing him as a tyrant and calling on President Yeltsin and the constitutional court to remove him.

His standing with the noisy municipal assembly has sunk like a stone since last June, when he secured his elevation, by two-thirds of the popular vote, to the powerful new job of execu-tive mayor. Yet he is being defended by his old sparring partners, the com nists and military men for whom the city will always be Leningrad.

He incurred the admiration of hardliners by denouncing the economic reform programme for going too far, too fast. Mr Sobchak, 53, now admits that he overestimated the dangers of a social explosion, but says the forthcoming freeing of oil prices will cause unbear-able pain and has denounced the International Monetary Fund for advo-

cating such a move.

His decision to play the conservative card may reflect shrewd political calculation. In comparison with Moscow, St Petersburg probably has more low-paid workers with much to lose, and fewer would-be entrepreneurs with something to gain from economic reform.

RUSSIA'S government, congress on Saturday would make it impossible for them to carry on with their economic reforms. The resolu-tion, they said, was a threat to Western aid and credit.

The immediate cause of the government's resignation was a six-page resolution adopted by the congress on Saturday after hours of ferocious debate. It described many aspects of the govern-ment's work as unsatisfactory and set a three-month deadline for Mr Yeltsin to nominate a new prime minister. It also demanded a series of changes in economic policy.

The battle over the congress resolution brought to a head months of tension between the executive and legislative branches over the right to formulate and carry out economic policy. At present, Mr Yeltsin himself heads the government, but he has used this circumstance less to direct policy than to shield Mr Gaidar's team.

In their resignation statement, ministers said the decisions taken by the congress "block the possibility of con-tinuing the chosen policy", continuing: "Taken together, the demands set out by the congress doorn the country to hyperinflation and denote a suspension of the privatisation process and an end to agrarian reform." The statement said that the proposals to lower taxes and increase social security payments could not be implemented without "ruining the finan-

cial system". Mr Gaidar has repeatedly said that he would rather resign than preside over an economic retreat. Last week, other ministers joined him in threatening that the govern-ment would do so in a body if its reforms were rejected by

the congress. Yesterday, however, Andrei Nechayev, one of Mr Gaidar's ministerial colleagues, emphasised that the government's resignation was a "tactical move" in support of Mr Yeltsin. "We wanted to give him a kind of trump card," he said. He and Mr Gaidar said they would re-main in office if the congress changed its decision or if Mr Yeltsin decided to override it.

Preparations for both these ventualities appeared to be well in train by the end of yesterday. Although deputies twice rejected proposals that they return to discussion of Saturday's resolution, they were bombarded with information advising them of the economic folly of their de-

■ Council goes: The Moscow local government announced its resignation yesterday, say-ing it could not function without the Russian government Yuri Luzhkov, its leader, expressed full support for Mr



Gaidar, his team was shielded by Yeltsin



Man of the people: part of a crowd outside the Russian parliament building shouting their support for President Yeltsin as deputies arrived for yesterday's session of the Congress of People's Deputies

EC monitors scramble to save ceasefire in Bosnia

BOSNIA'S European Community-brokered ceasefire appeared on the brink of collapse yesterday as Muslim and Serb militiamen skirmished around Sarajevo and EC monitors tried to shore up Sunday's truce.

As Bosnian radio reported shells falling on two suburbs of Sarajevo, the Yugoslav army appealed in a statement for the trust of the republic's

Muslims and Croats. The intended effect was dashed, though, as Colonel Vehbija Karic, the former Yugoslav army spokesman in Sarajevo, announced his defection to Bosnia's embryonic armed forces. He said: "They [the army] have all the artillery with which Sarajevo has been attacked. The army is the greatest enemy of the Bosni-an people."

Greek minister fired in Macedonia dispute

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS IN ATHENS

CONSTANTINE Mitsotakis, the Greek prime minister, yesterday dismissed Antonis Samaras as foreign minister after a disagreement on how to handle Greece's objections to international recognition for the southern Yugoslav republic of Macedonia.

"The government can't have two policies, only one. Greek foreign policy has to take on clarity." Mr Mitsotakis said after meeting party leaders. He said he would be sworn in as foreign minister today. The prime minister said that Mr Samaras was fired because "it is not acceptable to set terms before a decision is taken" by the Eu-

ropean Community over recognition of the state. Earlier Mr Samaras briefed a meeting chaired by President Caramanlis, which was also attended by Mr Mitsotakis and other party

leaders, at which he proposed

measures to follow any inter-

national recognition of Macedonia's independence. According to press leaks, these included Greece closing the border with its neighbour and vetoing EC recognition of Macedonia. Mr Samaras had apparently not cleared these with the prime minister. Greece is opposed to recognition of the state, saying it

must first change its name.

dependence was recognised by the EC and the United States last week. The move prompted Serbs to declare their own republic and fighting has flared across Bosnia ever since. Under the terms of the agreement, EC monitors were supposed to oversee the withdrawal of artillery yesterday. But as one put it: "We have to find out where it is first." Talks on such issues had by yesterday afternoon turned into a scramble to save the ceasefire itself.

Bosnia-Herzegovina's in-

There were unconfirmed reports of lighting in Croatpopulated western Herzegovina and in Bosanski Brod in the north. An attempt to send humanitarian aid to the town of Foca collapsed when the army refused to participate. The head of Foca's Serbian crisis committee denied that Serb militiamen had attacked a hospital. On a road to Sarajevo, Serb reservists operating with regular army troops scorned the idea of going home. "This is the Ser-bian republic of Bosnia," said one. "No it isn't," said

another, "it's Serbia." • London: Britain is expected to confirm this week the deployment of a team of medexperts to Yugoslavia next month as part of the United Nations peacekeeping force. The team is expected to consist of an ambulance unit

campaign called off

Terrorist

Bonn: Germany's extreme left-wing Red Army Faction announced yesterday that it was suspending its terrorist campaign against govern-ment and business leaders. In return it called for the release of its members from jail.

in a letter to Agence France-Presse, it said its decision temporarily to halt at-tacks against "high officials of the economy and the state" was in response to conciliatory moves by the govern-ment. It cited in particular statements by Klaus Kinkel, the justice minister, indicating that the authorities were considering releasing a num-ber of its members. (AFP)

Visit begins

Ankara: President Mitterrand of France has begun the first visit to Turkey by a French president since 1968. He hopes to discuss Turkey's links with the European Community. Kurdish groups in France have protested against the trip. (Reuter)

Enquiry opens

Berlin: Erich Mielke, the former head of East Germany's secret police, is being investigated in connection with the death in 1955 of his brother who was run over by a train. Herr Mielke is on trial for the 1931 murders of two policemen. (Reuter)

Links forged

Moscow: Germany and Georgia reportedly set up diplomatic ties during a visit by Hans-Dietrich Genscher. the German foreign minister. The agreement was a coup for Eduard Shevardnadze, the chairman of Georgia's state council. Reuterl

EC opposed

Oslo: An opinion poll in Norway shows growing opposition to the European Community, days after Gro Harlem Brundtland, the prime minister, urged membership. The poll showed 41 per cent opposed to joining, and 40 per cent in favour. (Reuter)

Paintings stolen

Nice: Thieves broke into an art collector's home at Villeneuve Loubet, in southern France, and stole six paintings, including Fisherman by a Riverbank by Pissarro, a Renoir copy and a portrait of Tolstoy, worth E2 million in total, police said. (Reuter)

Wörner recovers after operation

stomach operation and is recovering in hospital, an alliance spokesman said. The operation forced Herr Wörner, who is 57, to cancel a visit to the United States.

Loredana Berte, the Italian pop singer wife of Bjorn Borg, the Swedish tennis star, has denied attempting suicide after being rushed to hospital in Milan at the weekend. She was released yesterday after treatment for what her doctor described as work-related stress and fatigue.

Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the former United Nations sec-Hong Kong in July to address the colony's business community.

President Kim II Sung of North Korea has been

Manfred Worner, the Nato secretary-general, has had a Pyongyang.

Burt Reynolds said he promoted Tampa, Florida as the location for Cop and a Half, his latest film, because it boasted picturesque spots still unknown to Hollywood

The condition of Satyajit Ray, 70, the Oscar-winning Calcutta, after he developed a high fever and an acute breathing problem.

Arnold Schwarzenegger star of the Terminator films, did push-ups and ran in a sack race at the weekend to promote youth fitness.

The public will tire of films about black America unless black film-makers begin themes. Spike Lee, the di-rector said in New Haven,

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Captain employs Tolstoy in feud over fleet

Russian captain of the frigate Red Crimea, makes daily announcements to his crew on the dangerous political sparring between Kiev and Moscow over control of the Black Sea fleet.

"I read the papers and analyse everything I see and hear. What my crew need to know about these political events I tell them," the captain says. Unlike their junior counterpart, most senior officers like Captain Lomov, aged 36, seem loathe to accept Ukrainian control of this traditionally Russian fleet.

I won't be raising the Ukrainian ensign over my warship, the fleet should stand for all the peoples of the former Soviet Union," he says. The captain's woodpanelled office beneath the bridge of the Red Crimea, a Kashin-class warship built 25 years ago, sports the flag of a

Robert Seeley in Sevastopol meets a defiant Black Sea warship captain and crew in politically rough waters

country - the Soviet Union which no longer exists and the banner of the armed forces which died with it.

The senior officer's attitude is typical of Sevastopol and the Crimea as a whole. The peninsula was among the most militarised of all regions of the former Soviet Union and perhaps the most steadfastly conservative, serving as it did as a retirement home for the former regime's privileged élite.

Even Tolstoy, who was stationed in Sevastopol as a subaltern during the Crimean war, is used on the ubiquitous propaganda boards in the city to justify Moscovite power. Tolstoy wrote patriotically of the Russian defence of Sevastopol: "There was not so much heroism since the days of ancient Greece." More than 60,000 citizens

of the city have signed a petition demanding a referendum to declare independence from Ukraine and seek union within the Commonwealth - in essence a reunification with Russia - which will inflame an already tense situation between the two inheritors of Soviet military prowess. The referendum, in Captain Lomov's words, is "the way to preserve the Black

Sea fleet for Russia". The captain's attitude is reflected in part by his 200-member crew, of which 60 per cent is ethnically Russian. In the cramped and dimly lit UKRAINE 🏡 MOLDAVIA RUSSIAN ROMANIA Sevastopol Black Sea BULGARIA TURKEY

living quarters deep in the vessel, Russian servicemen, seeing their state as the inheritor of the Soviet Union, favour Russian control of the Black Sea fleet." "At the moment it is Rus-

sian and not Ukrainian and that's how I'd like it to remain," Abdul Aleyev, aged 23, a Muslim Russian from the North Caucasus, said. Other conscripts in the fleet support Ukrainian demands to take the force as the republic's own naval force.

USSR. Ukraine was a part of that then so, in effect, I've already taken my oath to Ukraine although I'm willing to do so again," Roman Khetmansev, aged 19, one of the crew members of the Red Caucasus anti-submarine frigate, said. For the seven-day-old Ukrainian Black Sea fleet

command, last week was its first unsuccessful foray aimed at unseating its Commonwealth rival. Embarrassed Ukrainian generals and admirals were forced to evacuate their first base after four days when the pro-Russian local press exposed the building's history as a brothel for senior party members. By yesterday the Ukrainians had found a more respectable headquarters at a former military training school.

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Frenchman will not face trial for role in Nazi occupation

FROM PHILLP JACOBSON IN PARIS

THE Paris appeal court ruled yesterday that the acknowledged head of the pro-Nazi milice in Lyons, Paul Touvier, could not become the first French citizen ever to face trial for alleged crimes against humanity.

Several charges previously laid against M Touvier, involving the killing of Jewish hostages and a resistance leader, were thrown out by the presiding judge on the grounds that they did not involve acts committed "as part of a methodical and coldy executed plan of extermination". The collapse of the case against M Touvier, aged 77.

brought immediate protests from organisations representing those who suffered at his hands during the German occupation.

"I am ashamed to be French today," said Jean de Filippis, whom M Touvier had arrested and sent for torture and deportation almost half a century ago. "My immediate reaction is sheer revulsion," declared Serge Klarsfeld, the Parisian lawyer who did so much to secure the conviction of M Touvier's Nazi boss in Lyons, the late Klaus Barbie, for war crimes. After being granted provi-sional liberty by a lower court

Dutch quake was

worst since 1756

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

ground transmits the shocks well. "The rocks are

not used to moving so,

tion of the shock is very efficient and the results can be felt very widely."

In Moscow, as news

came through that West-ern Europe had been hit by

a big earthquake, the

Moskovsky Komsomolets

bearded Muscovite who

looks every bit the prophet he claims to be, had ap-peared outside the news-

paper offices last Thursday

with a placard warning that a massive earthquake

would hit Moscow and St

Petersburg on April 13.
The quake would occur at midday, measure more than 6.9 on the Richter

scale, and spread "from the centre southwards". He said he had arrived at this

peared on the front page of the paper of Friday. Yester-

day, as the calls came in, a spokeswoman said:

People are very alarmed."

Rude awakening, page 1

circulation

starting ringing.

THE earthquake centered on Roermond in The

Netherlands yesterday is believed to have been the biggest in the region since 1756. Measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale, it was

sufficient to cause property damage, shaking tiles from roofs and cracking walls. In Herkenbosch, outside

church was said to be near

6.2. In 1983 a 4.7 magni-

tude earthquake centered on Liege caused \$40 mil-lion of damage. A quake in Belgium on June 1 i, 1938,

also registered 5.8. Unlike classic earth-

quake regions such as Cali-fornia, the epicentre of yesterday's quake was a long way from the edge of the tectonic plates whose

movement causes earth-

quakes. According to Dr Gottfried Grunthal, a geo-physicist from Potsdam, the pressures that caused yesterday's quake came from the mid-Atlantic and

from the northward drift of

Africa. The built-up stress-

es were released along an

area of weakness, the

Such earthquakes are very hard to predict and may be especially damaging. Dr Adams said, because the rigidity of the

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subject of a report by France's Roman Catholic hierarchy on claims that an elaborate network of monks, priests and cardinals had aided him to It concluded that before his arrest two years ago at a priory run by fundamentalist Catholics in Nice, he had indeed been sheltered on church property, supported from official funds and backed in his attempts to secure an official pardon by high-ranking

chy's conduct during and after the Vichy era of collaboration with the Germans recall that M Touvier was eventual-

the appeal court concluded investigating magistrate, Jean-Paul Getti, had previ-Touvier were quick to an-nounce that they would now take the case to France's su-

preme court.

Whatever the outcome there, yesterday's judgement will inevitably be seized upon by those who claim that the French authorities remain reluctant to pursue their own citizens for crimes allegedly committed during the occupation. The long struggle to bring a wealthy retired banker, René Bousquet, to justice for his uncontested role, as Vichy chief of police, in the round-up and deportation to Nazi death camps of thou-sands of French Jews has still



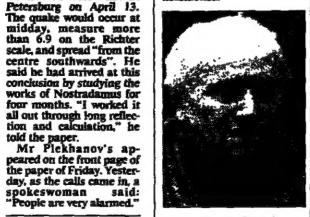
Touvier: sheltered on church property

last July, M Touvier was the mpathisers. Critics of the French hierar-

ly pardoned by President Pompidou in 1971. Following yesterday's court ruling, his lawyer remarked that it required almost 20 years fidecision that Pompidou had In its 215-page judgement

that the charges which the ously considered sufficient for M Touvier's trial did not meet the accepted legal definition of crimes against humanity. The public prosecutor and lawyers representing those seeking action against M

Before Barbie was tried, he sometimes hinted that he was ready to disclose in court the extensive and enthusiastic official co-operation he received from the French, among whom M Touvier amounted thug. In the event, the "Butcher of Lyons" held his silence, but the campaign to get old men like M Touvier who has cancer, and M Bousquet into the dock before they die has not yet been





Scorched earth: villagers watch a tide of lava from Sicily's Mount Etna flowing towards Zafferana yesterday at a rate of four to five yards an hour. The houses nearest the flow had already been evacuated. Military buses were standing by in case of a general evacuation

Concrete and explosives used to stem the flow of Etna's lava

Paul Bompard in Zafferana describes

how a mixture of technology and

religion are being used in an attempt to

HIGH up on Mount Etna, upstream from the creeping incandescent lava that has already singed the first houses in the village of Zaf-ferana on the foothills of the volcano, American Navy helicopters yesterday dropped on the edge of Zafferana, and concrete blocks weighing the townspeople were quarreltwo-and-a-half tonnes into ling bitterly over whether to the moiten flow, while Italian simply let it follow its natural Navy commandos set off hunpath once it goes over the top, dreds of tonnes of high explosive in a desperate bid to relieve pressure on the village. or to turn it in another direc-

There was guarded opti-mism among the civil protection authorities that the lava might have been slowed up enough to make it gradually solidify rather than flowing on down. "The experiment worked," said Nicola Capria, the civil protection minister. The results are promising

But the tide of red hot lava had already reached the top of the earthworks thrown up

DAMAGE to the medieval

Ponte Vecchio bridge in Flor-

ence has alarmed municipal

authorities who are investi-

gating whether it is the result

of a decision to route bus

services along the banks of

Masonry and plaster have

fallen off the façade of the

bridge at its north end which

links the Ponte Verchio to the

Uffizi museum, the Corriere

deila Sera newspaper report-ed yesterday. The damage could have been caused by the

fact that 19 bus services now

run along roads alongside the

northern bank of the Arno.

Paolo D'Elia, head of the

the newspaper said.

the river Arno.

halt the flow of Mount Etna's lava We have faith in technology. but we also have faith in the Madonna." He was expressing a fatalism and a lack of

inevitable, and 150 army lorries stood by in case an evacuation should be necessary. While the men of Zafferana rgued, the women prayed before the statue of the Madonna of Providence, housed in a tent-church since 1984, when an earthquake damaged many of the town's buildings including the beautiful Sicilian baroque church

tion. In either case damage to

some of the houses appears

Fears grow for Ponte Vecchio

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

the Florence city council, said he was worried by the dam-age and said that he had not

been consulted about the de-

Signor D'Elia said he had asked for all the bridges af-fected by the rerouted traffic

to be monitored and hoped to

draft in specialists from Flor-

In the past the solid con-struction of the Ponte Vecchio

left its squat structure un-

scathed by disasters such as

the 1966 flood. During the

second world war German

troops blew up other bridges

across the Arno when fleeing

the allied advance, but did

not consider the narrow

ence University to do so.

cision to reroute the buses.

trust in national institutions typical of Italian people.
In the Hotel Airone, the nerve centre of the civil protection effort, soldiers, police,

Red Cross, forestry guards. firemen and civil protection personnel milled around in an impressive array of uniforms and muttered feverishly into portable telephones. One Italian Navy commando officer was even wearing a bone-handled dagger stuck in

his perfectly polished boot.

strategic value to warrant destruction.

The current structure with

its famous arcades dates from

1345. It was built to allow

Tuscan archdukes to travel

quickly from the Palazzo Vecchio to the Palazzo Pitti.

An earlier Roman wooden

bridge was replaced after a

bad flood. The bridge strad-

dies the Arno at its narrowest

point. Twenty years ago the riverbed under the Ponte

Vecchio was deepened to re-duce water pressure on its

Corriere della Sera yester-day asked "will the Ponte Vecchio fall down"? It said

that Florence fears for its

helicopters had perfectly placed all the four concrete blocks into the channels of lava. The blocks, taken from the nearby Nato base of Sigonella, were originally made as anti-attack barriers. Such was the success of this operation that the authorities began searching Sicily for even bigger blocks, up to the seven tonne maximum which each Sea Stallion can com-

fortably carry.
Franco Barberi, a volcanologist, said the first results were promising, but "we will have to persevere with the explosions to obtain results. One thing is certain, if we do not relieve the pressure above, it will be impossible to stop the lava advancing below".

The eruption, which has continued since January with varying intensity, originates from an opening at about 6.200 feet on the side of 12,200 foot Mount Etna, Europe's most active and poten-tially dangerous volcano. Zafferana stands at only 150 feet, within a few miles of the

In 1792, 200 years ago, the town was partly overrun by an eruption. The villagers brought out the statue of the Madonna and placed it facing the lava. Steadily the lava advanced, burned one foot of the Madonna and then halfed. Today a small shrine marks that spot, but if history should repeat itself most of the Zafferana of today would

• Managoa: At least 10,000 people have been evacuated from the area around the Cerro Negor volcano in northwestern Nicaragua which erupted last and another 12,000 may have to be moved. Antonio Lacayo, the presidency minister, said that at least 40 people were injured but only one had been confirmed dead. (Reuter)

be destroyed.

Iraq told to move missiles

New York: Britain. France and the United States, told Iraq yesterday to remove antiaircraft missiles from the north of the country or face possible military action James Bone writes).

Diplomats said the three ambassadors had issued the "implicit threat" to the Iraqi envoy at the United Nations.

Peru debated

Washington: Foreign ministers from the Organisation of American States, meeting in emergency session, seemed unlikely to agree to impose economic sanctions on Peru. They may send a mission to demand that President Fujimori restores democracy.

Fraud alleged

Port Moresby: The public prosecutor in Papua New Guinea has referred Rabbie Namaliu, the prime minister. and four of his ministers for investigation and possible prosecution for alleged mis-use of public funds. They have refused to resign. (AFP)

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Mali votes

Bamako: Alpha Oumar Konare, involved in the uprising which toppled General Moussa Traore last year, took a commanding lead in Mali's first free presidential elections. His party won the earlier parliamentary elections. (Reuter)

Scotch missed

Abu Dhabi: The Gulf desert around al-Ain, 100 miles east of Abu Dhabi, was soaked with alcohol when buildozers smashed more than 8,900 bottles of whisky and 1,000 cans of beer seized over the past nine months, officials reported. (AFP)

Aid granted

Sydney: Australia ended its 12-year aid embargo against Vietnam by signing a four-year \$A100 million (£43.5 million) programme in Hanoi. Since its military withdrawal from Cambodia. Vietnam is seen as a potential boom economy.

BBC expands

London: BBC World Service Television begins satellite broadcasts to Africa tomorrow. It will offer international news and business pro-grammes, and current affairs features such as Panorama. More African news will be gradually introduced.

Coining it

Montevideo: Treasure hunt-ers led by Ruben Collado, an Argentinian oceanographer, have recovered gold coins and an ingot worth more than £565,000 from El Preciado, a Spanish galleon that sank in the River Plate in 1792. (AFP)

Man mobbed

Conakry: The arrest of a white man suspected of pay-ing women to be filmed having sex with dogs provoked riots in Hamdalaye. near the Guinea capital. He was nearly lynched before being taken away. The mob destroyed his house. (Reuter)

engineering department at most farnous bridge. Gaddafi gears up for showdown with UN

BY RICHARD BEESTON IN CAIRO AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

LIBYA moved inexorably towards a showdown with the United Nations yesterday as Arab mediation efforts in the Lockerbie dispute appeared close to collapse less than two days before the imposition of

Egyptian officials, who have led attempts to achieve a compromise, now conclude that Colonel Muammar Gaddafi will not back down before the UN's April 15 ultimatum. which expired tomorrow. He must then comply with UN resolution 731 or face puni-

Although Libya hopes that a favourable judgment by the International Court of Justice to be delivered in The Hague today might bolster its isolared position, the court's ruling is unlikely to have much sway on the determination of Britain, France and America to bring suspected Libyan bombers to trial.

Under the provisions of security council resolution 748. all air links with and arms sales to Libya will be prohibited and diplomatic contacts reduced unless Tripoli agrees to hand over for trial two intelligence agents accused of masterminding the Lockerbie bombing, and allows a French investigating magis-

trate to interrogate four other a UTA passenger jet which blew up over Niger in 1988.

Arab diplomats involved in recent weeks in a frantic attempt to head off the show-down admitted last night that Colonel Gaddafi showed no sign of backing down in spite of the threat of sanctions and the possibility that the West could eventually use force against him.

Arab and Western officials believe that Colonel Gaddafi is more afraid of the possible backlash domestically if he gives in to the UN's demands than he is of the effects of what amount to limited sanctions against his oil-rich state. Expens on Libya point out that, by handing over intelli-gence agents for trial in the West, he risks angering the very people who have kept him in power since he over-threw King Idris in the blood-less coup of 1969.

"Gaddafi cannot afford to alienate the intelligence, the military or the security apparatus, it is the central pillar of his regime," one Western official said. The dangers to the Libyan leader were clear once the identities of the wanted men became known.



Sombre farewell: Colonel Muammar Gaddafi and his wife Safiya at Tripoli airport after seeing off President Muharak on his return to Cairo

For instance, Abdel Basset al-Megrahi. one of the two men accused of planning the bombing of Pan Am 103 over Lockerbie, comes from the powerful al-Megaha tribe. whose fellow clansman is Libya's second-in-command, Major Abdel Salem Jalloud. Also, the leading suspect in the UTA attack has been identified as Abdullah al-Sanoosi, a key figure in Liby-an intelligence, who is related to Colonel Gaddafi by marriage.

 Bus shuttle Egyptair and Libyan Arab Airlines will run

a bus and plane shuttle service across their shared border to minimise the impact of any international sanctions. Egyptair sources said. The two airlines will fly from Tripoli and Cairo to small airports near the border and carry passengers over the frontier

by bus. Under the arrangement, the Libyan line will fly to Tobruk, 90 miles west of the border, while Egyptair will use an airport near the town of Sidi Barrani, 45 miles cast

of the border. Egyptair also agreed to em-

sanctions, the Egyptair sources said. "These preparations will lessen the impact of the air embargo on Libya," a civil aviation official said. In Vatican City, the Vari-can denied it had been asked

to take the two suspected bombers into custody. Libya had proposed sending them to a neutral country pending a decision from the International Court.

ploy some workers from the

Libyan airline during the em-

bargo and to run eight extra

flights between Cairo and

Tripoli before the start of

Victory puts Rafsanjani on collision course with mullahs



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Rafsanjani: wary of provoking showdown

AS THE early results signalling a landslide election victory for moderates headed by President Rafsanjani came in, one of the power cuts which affect Tehran plunged the centre of the capital into darkness for two hours.

Businessmen who beat a retreat to the generator-powered lobby of the main Laleh hotel found themselves sitting under an anti-American slogan permanently fixed to the wall while the Stars and Stripes had been crudely blacked out by a collection of

Both were examples of the difficulties which face the wily Mr Rafsanjani if he is to realise the promise of a more open society and streamlined economy contained in the electoral trouncing which his supporters have given the anti-Western radicals. Thirteen years after the Islamic

The Iranian leader will face opposition from the zealots as he continues his foreign and economic policy reforms. Christopher Walker writes from Tehran

with a sharp sense of humour,

Mr Rafsanjani is aware of the

problems. His most pressing

is that he is forced to speak

with one voice to the outside

world and another at home

where even after the poll, he is

wary of provoking a violent showdown with the radicals.

radicals remain a force in a

country notorious for its com-

peting centres of power. Sup-

ported by Khomeini's two

Ahmad and daughter Zahra,

they remain a continuing

threat to reform. In some

ministries, notably in the inte-

iential children, son

Although they are heading

revolution, Iran's infrastrucnure is in an appalling state with sections frozen in a time warp and little changed since the overthrow of the shah. duced since Ayatoliah Khomeini's death in 1989 are at their painful early stage, causing rocketing prices and wide

Inflation is running at 25 per cent, queues are common-place -- a Western photographer who tried to record one was arrested last week - and corruption so endemic that a wad of notes is vital for the bribes necessary to conduct daily life. A skilled politician

mean now. We have a unique

opportunity to avoid mass

greater than the biblical pro-

One of the biggest prob-lems is how to ship vast

amounts of grain between

ment and war. The only

routes to Zimbabwe, from where grain would be moved

eisewhere, are through Beira

self affected by drought, or

through Botswana to Plum

Tree in the far southwest, or by road from Pretoria in South Africa.

Only 1,200 tons a day of

rain have been reaching

Zimbabwe from a consign

ment of more than 600,000

tons bought earlier this year. Zimbabwe needs 6,000 tons a day. Maize coming through war-torn Mozambique will be

portions seen in Ethiopia."

rior, justice and information (intelligence) they remain powerful.

Anti-Western slogans are a staple of Friday prayers and street demonstrations with even close aides of the president unwilling to hint that normalisation of relations with the United States "the great satan" is possible. "Without that, talk of real recovery is a bit meaning-

The divisions between the reformers who will be in the majority in the new Majlis and the hardliners have been highlighted by the election campaign and its aftermath. Many embassies have taken extra security precautions, fearing that resentment against Mr Rafsanjani for winning an election the radicals had alleged was rigged and many franians claim had

a lower turnout than admirted - may spill onto the streets and against them.

As demonstrators forced the closure of a magazine at the weekend after it printed a carroon lampooning the mullahs who still run Iran, one angry student said: "To me, the real culprits are the cul-ture and Islamic guidance ministry officials. They are so much preoccupied by economic matters they have forgotten everything else. Surely, the economic difficulties have to be solved, but not at the

cost of sacrificing culture." With five of the top 30 candidates for Tehran seats in the new Majlis won by women after more than 25 per cent of the votes cast last Friday were counted, their issue for the government. Since Mr Rafsanjani took over, he has made steps to encourage the kind of tolerance between the religious and secular that will make society tolerable for the Iranian exiles he is trying to woo back with their expertise and

sorely needed hard currency. While it is now not unusual to see women in designer ski suits speeding down the sundrenched pistes north of Teh-ran without even the mandatory Islamic headgear, the trend of relaxation which must continue if Mr Rafsanjani is to succeed faces fierce

Even as votes showing the swing from the hardliners were being counted, Resalat. one of the more moderate Tehran papers, launched a diatribe against the custom of Iranian women employees hejab (veil) in foreign embas-sies. "Watching our fellow countrywomen, of the same

creed as ours, in Western appearance is in no way Islamic or justifiable," it said. 'In our own land we have to choose between diplomatic justifications and Islamic laws, even if the Western governments threaten and make a rumpus.

In foreign affairs. President Rafsanjani will have to match new hopes by neutralising concern about fran's nuclear ambitions, its activities in Africa and the fear that it is determined to spread its Islamic revolution in the new

Central Asian republics. Iran's clerical rulers some would say dictators face no credible challenge to their power. If economic discontent is not mollified soon. it could combine with the rapid evaporation of revolutionary zeal to threaten a new upsurge of popular feeling in the country of 55 million.

30 million face starvation

Disaster looms after crops fail in Africa

FROM SAM KILEY IN MASVINGO, ZIMBABWE

FOREIGN donors and African governments have just a few weeks to organise \$3 billion (£1.73 billion) in drought relief to head off a farmine that could affect 30 million people this year.

After catastrophic crop failures due to drought and record temperatures in February, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Malawi, Namibia, Mozambique, Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland will have to import at least ten million tons of cereals. Angola also faces a food shortage after heavy rains destroyed most of the crops in its central

At about \$315 a ton, importing the grain will cost struggling Third World economies more than \$3 billion

FIVE Somali hijackers yester-

day seized two hostages

aboard a light plane, char-

tered by the British Save the

Children Fund, at Djibouti

international airport but later

AFRICA

this year. Aid officials fear that social unrest could result, jeopardising the transition from one-party rule to phiralism. They say World Bank structural adjustment pro-grammes in Zimbabwe and Zambia, designed to reduce public expenditure and promore the free market, will also disintegrate under the bur-

den of the drought. Chris Eldridge, director of Save the Children (UK) in Zimbabwe, said:"I am not sure that the donor commuevents in Eastern Europe

nity has realised the scale of the disaster in southern Africa. They have been distracted by their own elections and by There is an urgent need for the donors to act now. I mean

the pilot to fly north to Ye-men. Mr Elition persuaded

them he needed to refuel at

Djibouti. Witnesses said that,

after the refuelling and the

subject to attacks. To try to end a shortage of maize meal in nural areas of Zimbabwe, Save the Children has, with other aid agencies. started trucking grain into the worst affected areas. John tor of the US Agency for said last week that the agency estimates that at least half the 59 million people living out-DROUGHT REGION side South Africa in southern Africa would be affected. Somali hijackers swap

There are signs in Zimba-bwe that the drought is on the verge of turning into a famine. Schools in the southeast of the country, near Masvingo, have reported that large numbers of primary pupils have been fainting in class. At Chingami primary school near Neshuro, south of Masvingo smartly dressed children wandered dreamily around the playground fin-ishing a bean meal the school had provided. "Many of the children have bad skin, big bellies, all signs of knoash iokor [malnutrition]" said Stephen Chipadza, deputy headmaster of the bush school which gets rationed water for half an hour a day.

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Devoted couple: the Mandelas in 1958, the year of their marriage and several years before he was sentenced to life imprisonment

Mandela announces split with wife

WITH dignity but evident distress. Nelson Mandela, president of the African National Congress, yestertion from Winnie Mandela

his wife of nearly 35 years, amid fresh allegations of her complicity in murder.

Declaring that he still loved her, he added that tensions had arisen between them. tween them and they had agreed to part. It was an nious end to a mar riage which captured the imagination and admiration of a generation of black South Africans who revered the couple as seifless heroes of the anti-apartheid

Reading from a prepared statement at a news conference, Mr Mandela paid tribute to his wife's devo-tion to him and to the antiapartheid struggle. "How-ever," he went on, "in view of the tensions that have arisen owing to differences between ourselves on a months, we have mutually

Senior ANC figures persuaded Mandela to separate from his wife, Gavin Bell writes from Johannesburg

agreed that a senaration would be best for each of

Mr Mandela did not specify what the issues were that led to the split, but said he had not been prompted by the allegations against his wife. He deeply regret-ted media reports of the accusations, by two of her closest associates, and asked that her guilt or inno-

cence be left to the courts. Referring to his wife by her first given name, he said: "I shall personally never regret the life [that comrade Nomzamo and I tried to share together. Circumstances beyond our

that it should be otherwise. "I part from my wife with no recriminations, 1 emand affection I have nursed

for her, inside and outside prison, from the moment I

Mr Mandela's devotion to his wife throughout the 34 years of their marriage, of which they were able to spend fewer than five years together, remained unshaken by her conviction last year on kidnap and serious assault charges. But more serious allegations of her involvement in the murder of Stompie Moeketsi, a 14year-old township activist. and of a doctor called to attend to him were evidently too much for him and other senior executives of the ANC.

ANC sources say Mr Mandela, 73, intended announcing the separation last week but was reluctant to be seen to be abandoning

new allegations were being made against her. It is understood that his closest adweekend that he had to end the marriage for the sake of his prestige and that of the

In his statement, Mr Mandela referred to the severe persecution inflicted on him and his wife by successive National party



An unhappy Nelson Mandela yesterday

strain which she bore in raising their two daughters ment, his wife had been an indispensable pillar of sup-port and comfort to him, as well as a focus of the international campaign for the release of political prison-ers, the ANC president said.

"She endured the persecutions heaped upon her by the government with exemplary fortitude and never wavered from her commitment to the struggle for freedom. Her tenacity reinforced my personal respect. love and growing affection It also attracted the admira-tion of the world at large. My love for her remains un-

diminished." he added. It was unclear last night whether or not the couple intended to initiate formal divorce proceedings. Now was it clear whether Mrs Mandela would retain her posts as a member of the and head of its social welfare department.

The hijackers boarded the their next move after discus-Cessna 404 at Erigavo in sions with Djibouti officials.

supply of food, water and set one of them free. Lola Nathanail, a Briton cigarettes, the plane changed working for the fund, was its position on the tarmac. released unharmed in ex-change for fuel. But the hi-The five hijackers, aged from 18 to 25, said they lackers continued to hold wanted to go to Yemen, Ku-New Zealander Cameron Elwait or Saudi Arabia, and asked for time to consider

Briton for aircraft fuel

FROM AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE IN DJIBOUTI

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Robbed in dreamworld

Peter Millar attacks a

sugar-coated Peter Pan

t last the nation has found a challenge worthy of David Mellor: it is none other than that terror of lost boys and scourge of

the seven seas, Captain James Hook.

I am not literally suggesting that the new
Secretary of State for National Heritage should imitate Robin Williams and become our very own Podgy Pan thinking "happy thoughts" in order to fly. Heaven forbid. But Hook, Steven Spielberg's new blockbuster about a grown-up Peter Pan going back to Never-Neverland is the cutting edge of the enemy Mellor must stand against if he is to save his twin charges: British culture and the British film industry.

It is a threat made more visible by the fireworkand-fanfare opening of Euro Disney at Marne-la-Vallée outside Paris: the threat of the Hollywood mythmakers to make mincemeat of our myths. Spielberg said he wanted Hook to be "very English", to capture the magic of Barrie's original tale. But the result is a candyfloss confection of imaginary Englishness spun around a core of politically correct Americana.

Spielberg's lost boys are a racially-mixed gang of street-wise skateboarding kids, and their leader sports a punk haircut. When he and "Peter Pan" trade insults, he uses words like "fart" and "burn", which I frankly did not want my sons to hear in the cinema. I do not think Barrie would have approved either. American values are not ours. Our standards are not better or more strict — Americans are much more prudish about sex - but they are subtly, deeply different.

e are, for example, much less keen on our escapism carrying a heavy-handed message. The half of Hook which is aimed at parents is a schmaltzy lecture on the "new man": anyone who carries a mobile phone and forgets his kid's baseball game will never be able to fly. It is laced as thick as coconut candy with simplistic homespun philosophy about families, which I found plainly embarrassing and my children found boring because it held up the plot. American political correctness also accounts

for a certain inevitability: when the time comes for Pan to depart which of the orphans does he pass his magic sword to? Obviously: the fat black kid (or perhaps I should say the parentally disadvantaged, differently sized Afro-American).

Hollywood adaptations of our fairy stories are parasitical because they leave the originals poorer. More children will see Hook than have ever seen Peter Pan. Many who think they know the original know it from the Disney adaptation. This is already the case with Winnie-the-Pooh, whose merchandising and film rights were bought by Disney lock, stock and honeypot from the A.A. Milne estate. As a result, in all but the more literate middle-class homes, the image of Pooh is not that of Emert Shenzer's delicate line. Pooh is not that of Ernest Shepard's delicate line drawings, but of the simplified cartoon sketch turned out by Disney laboratories. Pooh bear toys copy the cartoon: amorphous, gormless creatures rather than the sturdy, straight-limbed English teddy on which Milne's and Shepard's original

his is the danger of Disney. Let them do what they will with Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck, indigenous Americans both. Even the ancient European fairy stories of Hans Christian Andersen are less at risk; many of them were only sketchy outlines to begin with. right. Nonetheless, I fail to see why any Bavarlan child should be dragged across half a continent to Marne-la-Vallée to see a shrunken plastic Sleeping Beauty's castle, when the original on which it was modelled - Ludwig Il's Neu-

schwanstein — is on the doorstep.

But hands off Pooh and Pan! They are different: works of 20th century literature, not just English-language, but genuinely English. It is our common language that makes them more vulnerable than Asterix or Babar to the seduction of Hollywood, and allows many to welcome the corrupted version with squeals of delight, sadly unaware of the impoverishment when boy or bear next door is transformed into hi-tech

Hollywood has long plundered our best actors

— Bob Hoskins and Maggie Smith give the best performances in *Hook* — surely there is still time for us to halt the rape of our imaginations. We are drifting as over-confidently as the Titanic onto a transatlantic iceberg; it is time to send an SOS to Mr Mellor: Save Our Stories.

Patricia Hewitt praises Neil Kinnock's courageous transformation of a once unelectable party

A t a private dinner earlier this year. Neil Kinnock was being pressed by a group of businessmen worried that Labour in government would abandon its pledges. With great force, he leant towards them and said: "You wards the said the people know what it's like to take over a bankrupt company and turn it around. In 1983, I took over an unelectable party. I've spent nine years making it fit for government. And I haven't come this far to throw it all away

once we're elected." I first met Neil Kinnock dur-ing the 1983 campaign, when he came to speak at an election rally in Leicester, where I was a Labour candidate. Typically in that shambolic campaign, it was his second speech of the evening, his fourth of the day. His voice had almost gone, but not the anger and passion which culminated in his eve of poll speech, "I warn you".

Last Thursday night, the anger and the passion were just as strong, the voice just as strained. But in nine years, the party
— and the man — had been

The party which elected Neil Kinnock with a rapturous ma-

The man who saved Labour

jority in October 1983 had no idea what it was getting. It had forgotten his conference speech two years earlier, when, as edu-cation spokesman, he refused to commit himself to restoring "the-cuts", warning instead that if everything Labour said about Mrs Thatcher's government ere true, then the problems Labour would inherit made easy promises impossible. The party ignored the implications of his campaign against Tony Benn and the abstention in the deputy leadership contest in 1981.

The man whom Labour elected nearly nine years ago detested those who preferred the purity of opposition to the hard choices of power. Unshakeably from the left, he had no time for the posturing of the left's factions. He set out to win the power needed to implement Labour's principles, never to choose between power and principles. Last Wednesday night. home in his isiwyn constituency, he was still urging the British

people to '
your values". As he trans-formed Labour with singleminded ruthlessness, he in the privacy of his admit to longing for a colleague who would offer him loyalty he had given Michael Foot before 1983. In-

construct his own majority. He inherited a shadow cabinet most of whom had voted for a different leader. He won their respect, and gradually transformed the shadow cabinet by appointing the "young, gifted and Kinnockite". He inherited a national executive committee bitterly divided between right and left. He set about building alliances and marginalising



Kinnock: standing for power and principle

tution to provide for a saner way of doing things.

As Labour's opinion-poli lead crumbled before the 1987 election, and we faced a campaign in which the only issue seemed to be whether Labour or the Alliance would take third place. he knew that all the changes had not been enough. It was his campaign in 1987 — and above all, his speeches — which

forming the consti-

saved Labour from extinction. reconcilable. With After nearly nine years in the most thankless job in British politics, Neil Kinnock has dishis devastating atpolitics, Neil Kinnock has discovered in himself a steeliness and courage which perhaps even he only guessed at. He has taken everything the tabloids could heap on him and his family, and come out stronger. He has borne with immense dignity the jibes of Oxbridge rolumnian at his Cardiff education and the whispering campaign of colleagues who, when times were tough, told journalists that it was time for him to go — but never said it to his face. tack on Derek Hatton in Bournefinally sloughed off the hard left, in the constituencies as well as on the NEC. And even then, it was Mr Kinnock who had to lead the gruelling work of seeing through the expulsions and, later, re-

but never said it to his face. Once, when the sneers were particularly malicious, Dora Gaitskell walked along from the Lords to the office under Big Ben, to tell him: "I travel on the buses and that's not what people say about you there. Don't take any notice of what the others are saying: they're just snobs." Only recently did English snobbery give way to respect for the man he really was.

A few days ago, I reminded Neil Kinnock of something he said nearly nine years ago. "We may not manage it. But we'll give it everything we've got. And if it turns out to be impossible, we mustn't blame ourselves." In 1992, it turned out to be impossible. Nothing that he or anyone else could have done would have withstood the avalanche of fear which engulfed Labour last Thursday.

Neil Kinnock took Labour from the edge of extinction and transformed it into the voice of modern European social demodern European social de-mocracy. He has discovered in himself the strength which would have made him a good and probably a great prime minister. But this is no obituary. and Neil Kinnock's voyage is not ended. Whatever he chooses to do, he will be there, using all his force in the great task of winning support for the values in which he and mil-lions of British people continue

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Sorting out John Bull

Ferdinand Mount says we still need constitutional change

he sighs of relief in the small hours of Friday morning were not from Tory throats alone. The clarity, the certainty, the stability, the familiarity - all the virtues of a British government with an overall majority seemed as attractive as ever. As Mrs Patrick Campbell pointed out, there is something to be said for the deep, deep peace of the marriage bed after the hurlyburly of the chaise-longue. Like people who have no gift for making pastry, we are not much good at hung parliaments. The fluent explanations of the

conventions that were to guide us in such circumstances sounded a bit implausible, not least the assertion in these columns by Lord St John of Fawsley that Mr Heath was well within his rights" to try to stay on in Downing Street after losing the February 1974 election. Those of us who were e remembei only a hot flush of embarrassment, for it seemed to us that in a first-past-the-post system. Mr Heath had unmistakeably finished second.

Our understanding of all these matters is humiliatingly rusty. The easy way out, having peered into the works, is simply to slam the lid shut and stop worrying, on the grounds that the old heap still gets us from A to B. Anyone who admits to the peculiar hobby of worrying about the constitution can be dismissed as a pro-portional representation fanatic. And have we not had an intensive refresher course in all the vices of PR over the past month?

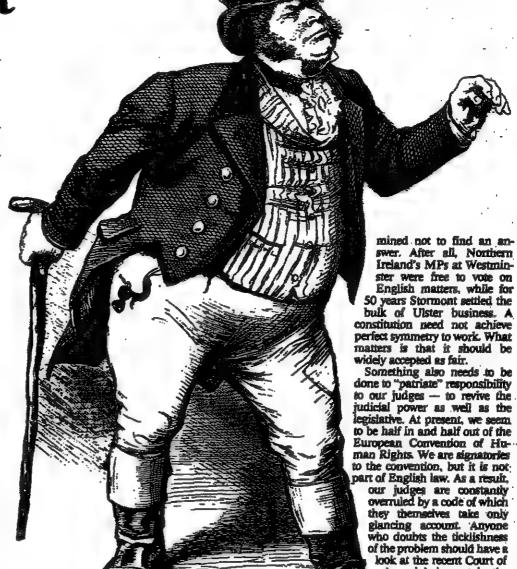
The elections in Italy, Germany and France do suggest

powerfully that we would be silly to waste further thought on a system that gives racist dema-gogues an easy leg-up into parliament, which encourages centralisation of power (and hence large-scale corruption) within political parties, and which is liable to produce governments congenitally unable to act with consistency and decisiveness. In favourable circumstances. as in Germany, PR can produce good government, but then so can almost any system: electing by lot worked well in the newday of ancient Athens.

PR supporters are, I think, confusing two quite different things: we do need to disperse power and revive the old plural-ism of our constitution, which has attracted the admiration of foreign observers for nearly three centuries. On the other hand, central government itself needs to be coherent and homorious: one doesn't look for a pluralised cabinet, any more than one would back a football team which trained under three or four managers with different game plans.

The irrelevance of PR should not blind us to two incontrovertible facts: the constitution is already changing rapidly, and several parts of it are in a neglected and chaotic state that cries out for sustained attention over the next five years. And I suspect we shall need a small standing constitutional commission on the Australian model (not a ponderous Royal Commission) to keep track of the agenda.

First, the structure of local government must be returned to something like the stable state from which it was ripped with ignorant insouciance by the



Bullish, but the state of Britain's constitution cries out for reform

Heath/Walker reforms of the early 1970s. Virtually everyone now acknowledges that singletier authorities, based on the historic counties, must be the heart of the system, with a reasonable degree of financial independence and responsibility.

Single-tier local government would leave an opportunity to consider some kind of representative body for Scotland. "Taking stock" - the phrase agreed our judges are constantly overruled by a code of which they themselves take only glancing account. Anyone who doubts the ticklishness of the problem should have a

look at the recent Court of Appeal judgment in the case of Derbyshire County Council v. Times Newspapers, in which the court gratefully between Mr Major and the clutched at the freedom of ex-Scottish Secretary, Ian Lang pression provided for in Article 10 of the convention, lacking any previous Court of Appeal can be carried out in a less frenetic atmosphere now that the

> As for the House of Lords, can we really be happy with a second chamber which is overruled with such impatient contempt by the first chamber (the War Crimes Bill being only the most recent example, but one of the

or House of Lords judgment on

most shameful)? Any serious ef-fort to restrain "elective dictator-ship" must include some scheme to bolster the constitutional au-thority of the Lords (without, of

thority of the Lords (without, of course, injuring the ultimate supremacy of the Commons). For the sake of argument, suppose that we substituted for the present composition of the House of Lords a different mixture, consisting of, say, 400 members: 250 to be elected (by proportional representation if that takes your fancy) and 150 to be formally nominated by the prime minister, drawn from prime minister, drawn from among the life peers and hereditary peers already sitting in the Upper House, with a respectable sprinkling of bishops and law lords to add gravitas; all to sit for a term of nine years. sit for a term of nine years to protect them from the jostling of the vulgar.

Then suppose that we considered for Scotland a directly elected chamber (call it an assembly if you must), sitting in Edinburgh as a third chamber of the UK parliament, with all Scotlish Bills sent to it for second reading, committee and report stages. Scottish Office ministers would defend their bills in the assembly, and then go back to Westminster for a special third reading stage, so that Westminster MPs. Scottish and English alike, would continue to play a part in the scrutiny.

onservatives may be tempted to write off such "half-baked nosirims" (nostrums are always half-baked in political in pharmacy) as the ravings of a cabai of Social Democrats overdosing on Perrier. However, the author of both blueprints was Lord Home of the Hirsel in his capacity as chairman of two Conservative review committees, that on Scotland reporting in 1970, that on the Lords in 1978 (the Scottish scheme was embroidered upon somewhat by Malcolm Rifkind, but with the general endorsement of Lord Home and the Conservative

apparat). It is extraordinary what interesting things one comes across in attics.

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...and moreover CRAIG BROWN

ermaine Greer, who, as far as I can gather, lives in a far less rural part of Essex than I do, has carved out a career writing columns, as butch as can be, about getting to grips with the raw underbelly of the British countryside. The columns read a bit like a witty parody of those bloodthirsty yokels in the pub at the begin-ning of Straw Dogs — all blood and guts and swearing — but they are meant. I think to be taken seriously.

She has one such column in the current issue of The Oldie. After an evocation of the countryside that rivals the best of Godfrey Winn ("... the wood anemones are keeping their jubilee, their petals sleeked by the damp air, glowing against the green that is rushing up over the land ..."), she turns up the volume and comes over all vobby to praise the killing of rabbit C'Rabbits are bloody bastards.

Absolute bloody bastards.") Though I have lived in the countryside longer than Germaine Greer, I remain pathetically wimpy. When I lived in London, I was surrounded by fellow wimps. As far as I could gather, not one of my men friends knew where the oil went in a car, or what a carburettor was, or how to catch the barman's attention in a pub. Rather than make a fuss in a res-taurant, we would tolerate a disgusting meal, and if ever we anyone threatening approaching we would immediately put on dotty expressions and affect limps.

onstrate the depths of our wimpishness. We were sitting in a stationary car in the East End. chewing burgers we had just bought from McDonald's. Suddenly, a gang of burly youths swaggered out of McDonald's and sauntered in our direction. "Quick!" advised our chief wimp, the landscape painter Giles Wood, "Eat with your

mouths open!" Now that I am back in the country, my defensive attitude is much the same. Mine is the countryside of Laura Ashley and Penhaligons, of Pam Ayres and Postman Pat. If Germaine Greer's countryside would be mine is definitely Johnny Mor-ris. I came to the country because I liked the way it looked in postcards, not to spend my

time trapping rats.
One morning last week, I drew back the curtains to see a large deer standing stock still in our garden. I called my daughter to the window and told her to be as quiet as a church mouse, lest we frighten the deer away. But after a few minutes I realised that the deer wasn't able to move: his antler was caught in our hammock, one end of which he had torn from the tree.

Thus my cheery contempla-tion of country life switched at once to blind panic at being landed with a live deer in a hammock. So I did what I always do when nature threatens. I rang the farmer. He arrived with a helper, and the three of us

slowly approached the deer, the

One incident serves to dem- two of them in front, with me a good fifty yards behind, pretending to eatch up.

The closer we came, the more the deer thrashed about, leaping in the air, falling over, and leaping again, his antlers scrab-bling madly at the tree. As we were developing a plan to chase him round and round the tree so that eventually the hammock's rope would give him no leeway to move, the deer managed to snap the rope. In a second he was a dot in the distance, and I was safely back indoors. I am not always so lucky. Occasionally, a man we call

Rattie" comes to leave little trays of poisoned grain to kill off rats and mice. It is meant to kill them discreetly, driving them outside in a desperate search for water before they die. But it doesn't always work. A while ago, we were faced with a poor little mouse in our dining-room. only semi-poisoned, running around in small circles, oblivious to anything but pain. As wimpy as ever, we couldn't bring ourselves to bang him on the head, so we decided to drown him. But we were too wimpy to drown him in water, so at my wife's insistence we added half a bottle of whisky to the bucket so as to afford him a good send off.

As I write, there is a dead rat in one of our bins. He has been there for four days, and simply refuses to leave of his own at him. let alone pick him up. What am I to do? Where are you. Germaine Greer, now that we

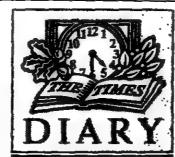
New ministry, old dilemma

AFTER scouring Whitehall yester-day to find a desk and a telephone, David Mellor and his newly-created Ministry for National Heritage will be plunged straight into controversy over a plea to save a masterpiece coming under the hammer at Christie's tomorrow.

The work by Canaletto depicts Downing Street. Old Horse Guards and St James's Park, and is described as "the most significant" of the artist's London pictures. The Tate Gallery has spent several weeks attempting to secure a private deal with the seller. Lord Malmesbury, but with Christie's saying that the picture could com-mand up to £12 million. Malmesbury has been reluctant.

Senior figures in the art world are calling on Mellor to prevent the work being sold abroad. Sir Hugh Leggan, of the Museums and Galleries Commission, says: "The government can always step in to provide the funds - particularly as Lord Malmesbury would be more than willing to keep the painting here." Nicholas Serota of the Tate, says that if sold to a foreign bidder, such an important part of the national heritage would probably not be granted an im-mediate export licence. "I accept it is improbable that Mr Mellor would be able to find the funds before tomorrow, but he might

wish to do so after the auction. As for Mellor, he was unavailable for comment. Yesterday morning a Cabinet Office official did not even know where the new ministry was to be located. By lunchtime, however, it was an-nounced that Mellor had moved into the office of Tim Renton, the former arts minister, overlooking Horse Guards - the very scene depicted in Canaletto's painting.



separatists have been seen off.

The notorious West Lothian

Question — why should Scottish MPs be allowed to vote on Eng-

lish matters if English MPs are

banned from discussing Scot-

tish domestic policy? - is one of

those questions which is asked

only by those who are deter-

The long arm of coincidence? When Harold Wilson resigned on March 16, 1976, Buckingham Palace announced Princess Margaret's divorce. Yesterday, 16 years later as Neil Kinnock stepped down, the Palace an-nounced the end of Princess Anne's marriage.

Brats on the move

CONSERVATIVE Central Office's "brat pack", which only days ago was being blamed for a lacklustre, election-losing campaign, is being lined up for promotion. David Cameron, 25, has been rewarded with a key job as Norman Lamont's special adviser at the Treasury. He becomes the youngest ministerial adviser in Whitehall. Edward Llewellyn, 26, who briefed the prime minister on the election battle bus each day, has also been rewarded. He has been promised a job as a special adviser, either to William Waldegrave or Michael Portillo.

Yet other Central Office figures are quitting politics altogether. Angie Bray, press officer to Chris Patten, leaves tomorrow to work in public affairs. Mary Bartholomew, brought in to head the press office, goes on Thursday after being blamed for many of the failings of the press operation. Her one golden rule was that she never spoke to the press, and she did not even appear in the press office on

Official summer AFTER the glorious weekend sun-

shine, it dawned cold, damp and cheerless yesterday in London. It could only mean one thing. At Lord's it was the opening day of the first-class cricket season. But if those on the pitch were flanneled fools, what of the 250 or so people who watched shivering? Certifiable, and most of them proud of it. While the elite sat in the warmth of the Long Room, the true enthusiasts braved the elements in the uncovered seats at the Nursery End, all anoraks, thermos flasks

and car rugs.
Why do they do it? "It is a ritual, almost religious. A renewal of the faith," said Neville Johnson, who had travelled down from Nottingham. "I come every year. I've seen



it snow here in April." The rain. if not the snow, arrived at lunchtime. "Just a clearing up shower," insisted Harold Parkham, from Chelmsford, as driving rain lashed the Tavern enclosure. "They'll be back out in 20 minutes." No one believed him, but his faith was re-warded. Not that anyone would

have minded much if the covers had stayed on. Only one thing mattered. The season had started and civilisation had resumed.

Being an insurance group, it was not long before Commercial Union began to worry about its collection of 24 valuable modern paintings, after Priday's bomb at its HQ. The collection features Francis Bacon's Man in Blue (valued at £800,000), as well as works by Nicholson, Piper and Sutherland. The paintings, which spent the weekend hanging off the walls inside the badly damaged CU building, were among the first items rescued yesterday.

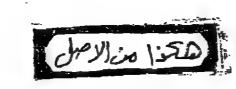
Ladies in waiting

WHILE the Labour party faithfulargue vigorously over the leader-ship, a quieter campaign to suc-ceed Glenys Kinnock was also launched yesterday. The two main contenders are Gill Gould and Elizabeth Smith, both telegenic, but while Gill Gould is steeped in politics, having worked for her husband since he first became an MP in 1974. Mrs Smith is rarely seen about the Commons.

The Goulds, says Gill, are "a one career family". She would be unlikely to pursue her own political causes, as Glenys Kinnock did, but as first lady-in-waiting she would not adopt the apron and ironing board approach of Norma Major. Elizabeth Smith, on the other hand, has always pursued inter-ests outside politics. She is vicechairman of the Great Britain/ USSR Association, and for the past year she has been busy establishing the St Andrew Foundation to give Scottish help to Russian would-be entrprenuers. She is described as "straight-talking but entertaining", although friends

say she would avoid public appear-

ances as much as possible.





THE SECOND KINGDOM

Scotland's constitutional future has not been resolved by the unexpectedly robust showing by the Tories north of the border in the election. The paradox remains of England voting one way and Scotland another, allowing the Tories to use their majority from the one to rule the other. That the predicament has become familiar during the 1980s has not made it any more acceptable

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to many Scots. Devolution is still a live issue. The Tories' relief is only by comparison with what they feared. Thanks both to the national recoil against the prospect of a Labour government, and to the impact of John Major's late emphasis on maintaining the union, the Tories slightly increased their share of the vote and number of MPs. But it was a tirry recovery. The Tories still have only a quarter of the votes and 11 out of 72 MPs.

Much of the Scottish establishment churchmen, local authorities, and others, as well as Labour and Liberal Democrats represented in the Constitutional Convention - rejects the status quo. Nearly threequarters of Scottish voters backed parties that favour constitutional change. Labour's vote slipped 3.4 per cent, but it still has 49 MPs; support for the Scottish Nationalists rose by a half to 21.5 per cent, though they won only three seats.

The political situation in Scotland remains unstable, as Labour, SNP and the Lib Dems manocuvre for advantage and to exploit current frustrations. The pressures are for moving forward rather than pausing to regroup. The dilemma for Labour's leadership is that repeated promises of victory by the party nationally leading to the creation of a Scottish parliament now look even more hollow than in 1987. Some Labour MPs have already linked with a number of nationalists to press for direct action and a multi-option referendum. Labour leaders have sought to avoid being outflanked by calling for a referendum themselves. This is not shadow-boxing, since the SNP is campaigning strongly to exploit Labour's defeat in the district elections throughout Scotland on May 7.

The Tories should resist the temptation to sit back and enjoy these battles. Ian Lang, his personal authority as Scottish Secretary undoubtedly strengthened, has sensibly not reacted complacently. He has made conciliatory gestures, both over the constitution and policy in, for example, education. He has said it is "time to change the tone and mood" of Scottish politics. Lord Fraser of Carmyllie, the former Lord Advocate and an ex-MP who supported devolution, has been given responsibility for constitutional affairs.

Mr Lang has even talked about the possibility of a referendum under the Tories. though only over a specific proposition rather than a sounding out of views.

The Tories have talked about improving the way Scotland is governed, possibly by reviving the Commons Scottish select committee which has been in limbo since 1987, and by giving greater responsibility to the Scottish Grand committee, made up of all 72 MPs. But such proposals are inadequate. They would extend discussion but not change where power is exercised. Such ideas fail to address the fundamental issue of the Scots gaining more control over their own

Devolution need not conflict with maintenance of the union. Such decentralisation of control used to be regarded as a thoroughly Tory principle before the Thatcherites started to believe that the man in Whitehall knows better than the man on the ground. The risk that the Tories are taking is that unless their conciliatory words are followed by action the beneficiaries will be the nationalists. Polarising the issue as a choice between separatism and the union helped save the Tories from defeat on April 9. It is a short-term tactic, not a long-term strategy.

SPREAD THE POWER

Those rubbing their hands in Britain at the extraordinary change in attitude to the Maastricht treaty on the Continent should restrain any premature rejoicing. John Major achieved much at Maastricht, not only because of what he prevented the Community doing, but because of the positive commitments he won from his partners: to give the European Court powers to enforce Community directives, to improve the European Parliament's auditing of EC finances, and to keep the Community door open to new applicants. In the exhaustive debate in Britain before Maastricht, the government struck an equilibrium that largely satisfied the government, the Conservative party and the country. There were indeed concessions. But Mr Major did not return from the Netherlands a beaten man; he returned with commitments he believed good for Britain and the Community.

The collapse of the Maastricht treaty would be a disaster for Britain, for the European Community and for all those countries hoping to join the EC. It would immediately halt all other business in Brussels and throw into disarray Britain's plans for its presidency of the Community. It would lead to fruitless recriminations between member states and between political parties. It would destroy any hope of completing the single market by the end of the year, and would postpone discussion of enlargement. And it would profoundly shake the confidence of the member states in their

ability to work together. Few countries apart from Britain held such an extensive debate beforehand. Their governments assumed, falsely and sometimes arrogantly, that because the ideal of closer European union had so long been a political given, no discussion of the implications for national sovereignty was needed. Now they are finding that they were wrong. Public opinion in Germany is worried about losing control over the currency. The French

are not ready to have their constitution cavalierly altered without a convincing explanation. In both countries, electorates restless with long-standing but unpopular leaders are beginning to question the validity of what they did at Maastricht as part of a general criticism of their policies and leadership. In two other countries, Denmark and Ireland, specific sensitivities — the sovereignty of Parliament and the vexed issue of abortion - have also thrown

ratification into doubt. Belated debate may bring out previously unvoiced scepticism over Europe. It does not however signal wholescale revolt against the treaty itself. The danger is that attempts to rectify particular grievances on which individual governments feel vulnerable may lead to calls for renegotiation, which in turn could unravel all the hard-fought bargains and Sir. From the media coverage balances. And if a government such as M Mitterrand's holds a referendum, voters may seize on the opportunity to deliver a decisive rebuff to an unpopular president.

It is not in France or Germany where the greatest threat to Maastricht lies, however, but in Denmark. This is because the Danish concern is one hardest for Brussels to allay: that too much power has moved from national governments to the Commission, and that Maastricht will only accelerate this rachet. Sir Leon Brittan, the senior British commissioner, sees the danger, and his latest proposal to hand back some powers to national governments is doubly welcome. It is the first attempt to give real meaning to the concept of subsidiarity; it also goes some way to reassure public opinion that Maastricht should not signal the inevitable accretion of power to the Brussels bureaucrats at the expense of elected governments. Sir Leon so far speaks only for himself. Subsidiarity is a vital component of Maastricht. If the current debate in Europe increases the sense of urgency in defining and implementing the concept, so much the better.

KEEP IT MOVABLE

The Easter week-end has set in with its customary severity. And that is odd because this year it comes towards the end of the possible dates for Easter. The British expect biting winds, and the cherry wearing white (and they mean snow rather than blossom) for Easteride. But they feel hard done by when it arrives so late in April A fixed Easter would make life tidier, and easier for schools. shops, and the organising classes. But it would spoil the glory of this movable feast, which is unpredictable, except that those who prepare for dirty weather are seldom disappointed. The date of Easter is one of the oldest and most gnawed bones of contention in the calendar. The entire Roman province of Asia was excommunicated for several centuries for heresy over the date; and England was split by schism for a century. It is safer not to meddle with the business.

Easter is the principal festival of the Christian year, and its second oldest observance after Sunday, which was regarded as the weekly celebration of the resurrection. In the same way that Christmas took over the pagan festival for the turn of the year and the sowing of crops. Easter, which has little to do with calendrical precision, took over the Jewish Passover. In the northern hemisphere the symbolism of rebirth after the winter works. The name of Easter is derived from the Anglo-Saxon spring goddess, Eostre. (The days of the Christian week are also atavistically pagan.) in the southern hemisphere, where Easter comes at the fall of the

year, the dating of Easter is less apt. The rules for the date of Easter are majestic in their complexity. In the west, Easter falls on the first Sunday after the full moon that marks the vernal equinox. If that full moon occurs on a Sunday, Easter day is

the Sunday after. In the revolutions of the wandering moon, this means that Easter can come at any time between March 22 and April 25, inclusive. The tables for working out the date, with golden numbers and dominical letters, are the most closely argued in The Book of Common Prayer, with division by 19, omissions of fractions and the number 6, division by 7, and all carried on by arithmetical theologians until the year 2199.

After the ferocious early schisms and excommunications, for the last thousand years the western churches have settled on keeping Easter on the same day, according to the nice arithmetical rules they have worked out. The Orthodox churches follow a slightly different calculation, with the result that Orthodox Easter, although sometimes coinciding with that of the west, can fall one, four or five weeks later. In this century there has been some discussion of the advantages of a fixed Easter, for example on the first Sunday in April. There is no insuperable theological objection to such a change. But it would depend on agreement being reached among the various churches. To judge from the history of this thorny red-letter day in the calendar,

such agreement is improbable. Easter is the great Christian festival, even though it is increasingly exploited by commerce for the exchange of chocolate eggs and trumpery trinkets. Christ is risen. Spring has arrived a little late this year. Easter's date should be left to the churches, in their infinite capacity for pleasant pedantry. For there is virtue in this movable feast. What needs moving is the British fixation on its other bank holidays concentrated in the spring and early summer, and the whole nation turned out with nothing better to do than sit in tailbacks on furning motorways.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Union leaders' rapid return to arena Abuse of Shaw's literary legacy?

From Mr Jimmy Reid

Sir, During the election it was easier to spot the ball in Littlewoods competition of that name than spot a trade union boss on a Labour party platform. Any close proximity by union barons was obviously deemed an electoral embarrassment and, God forbid, a threat to good photo opportunities.

Yet on Friday of last week, within hours of the polls closing, it was certain, beyond all reasonable doubt, that the union barons had reasserted their control. Or, more accurately, were showing to the world that they had never really lost it. There they were, the absent ones, swaggering once more onto television; king-makers who could such up a deal at the drop of a block vote, who could make or break any Labour leader.

What had happened to Mr Kinnock's new model Labour party? One man one vote? An end to the corruptive power of union money and the unaccountable votes it

By Friday afternoon it was obvious to those who can read the signs that a deal had been done. Behind closed doors the bosses of big unions with big votes and big money at their disposal had made a mockery of the Labour party's democratic processes. They were close to sewing up a large chunk of the 40 per cent of the votes cast by the trade unions in the election for Labour's leader, for their favoured candidate.

In addition these unions cumulatively have many sponsored Labour MPs, who in turn vote in the leadership election. They are not obliged to vote for the candidate favoured by their union leadership but for whatever reason they often

It is inconceivable that all this happened, overnight, without the involvement of some members of Labour's shadow cabinet. They were either in the room as the plot was being hatched, or in an adjoining. room, or at the end of a telephone line. We know everything except where they met. If in a hall, I suggest it be re-named Tammany.

Please remember that at this stage Mr Kinnock hadn't even resigned. Not one Labour party committee from the national executive down had had time to meet. The chances are that by the time they do, all will be over bar the shouting. I suggest we Labour party members shout

Yours etc., IMMY REID, Flat 1/1, 3 Newark Drive, April 14.

From Mr David S. Cooks

(particularly television) of the Labour party since the election it might appear to the casual observer that Labour actually won. It is unfortunate that the Conservatives have not been given equal "air time" as they did quite well too. Are death throes more interesting than a new era?

Yours sincerely DAVID S. COOKE, Hollyoaks Corrage, Beech Way, Blackmore End. Wheathampstead, Herrfordshire. April 16.

From Mrs Doris Heffer

Sir, In her article, "The man who saved Labour" (April 14), Patricia. Hewitt referred to Neil Kinnock's "devastating attack on Derek Hamon in Bournemouth in 1985". This is factually incorrect. His attack was made on 49 Liverpool Labour councillors, not solely on Derek Harron. It was because of this cruel attack on those then beleaguered councillors that my late husband. Eric Heffer, walked off the platform.

When asked afterwards was there no other way of protesting his reply was, "Yes, I could have hit him". Such was his anger at the leader's shockingly cruel public attack on the 49 Labour councillors whose "crime"

was to defy the Tory government and against all the odds build 5,000 much needed homes for the deprived city of Liverpool.

Neil Kinnock's attack was followed by a massive witch-hunt, as a result of which the once united and strong party in Liverpool is now split in three ways and very demoralised. Neil Kinnock certainly did not save Labour in Liverpool, where suspensions and expulsions continue apace.

Yours faithfully, DORIS HEFFER, c/o Verso. 6 Meard Street, W1.

From Mr John Weatherill

Sir. Your main front-page headline of April 14 read, "Kinnock quits with assault on Tory press". The following day at least three of your correspon-dents condemned Mr Kinnock's assault on the press almost as briefly and in no uncertain terms.

Yet from a full reading of the report (by your chief political corres-pondent) it became clear that Mr Kinnock merely quoted Lord McAlp-ine who, in The Sunday Telegraph, gave editors of the Tory press the whole credit for the Conservative victory and issued a warning that "if the politicians, elated in their hour of victory, are tempted to believe otherwise, they are in for real trouble next

It would have been surprising, even remiss, had Mr Kinnock not drawn attention to the revelation.

JOHN WEATHERILL Wylyc Head, Kilmington, willshire. April 16.

From Mr Robert Worthing Sir, Britain will undoubtedly benefit from a fourth successive term of Tory government. However, how proud can the prime minister justifiably

The Conservative party ran a dreadful stur campaign. With the help of the disgracefully biased Tory tabloids, Conservative leaders often ignored the policies of the opposition, preferring instead to concentrate on very personal attacks on the Labour leadership, in particular

oo Neil Kinnock. It was Mr Kinnock who said that "Britain deserved better" and this is indeed true, not in the form of a socialist government, but in a campaign that should have been a much

cleaner fight.

Is it rough justice that Chris Patten, the man who masterminded such a "below-the-belt" campaign, is no longer an MP?

Yours faithfully ROBERT WORTHING. 12 The Crest. Aldridge, West Midlands. April 12.

From Mr William Douglas Home Sir. I have a feeling that if the Labour party were to drop clause 4 of its constitution, on nationalisation, and the Liberal Democrats were to abandon their long-standing affair with proportional representation, such joint action would ensure a healthy opposition to the Tories in the future.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully, WILLIAM DOUGLAS HOME. Derry House, Kilmeston. Hampshire. April 14.

From Mr Robert Adley, MP for

Christchurch (Conservative) Sir, Recently (report, November 21) Mr Kinnock lost his temper in the House and called me a jerk. Last week, coolly, the electorate passed their judgment on him.

Yours etc., ROBERT ADLEY, House of Commons. April 15.

Tribute to archbishop

From Mr John Redvers

Sir, Although more than a year has passed since Dr George Carey was enthroned as Archbishop of Canter-bury I cannot recall much agreeable or encouraging in the media about or for him.

As a Roman Catholic layman who, in the exercise of his profession as a portrait painter, has had the privilege of becoming acquainted with Dr Carey, it seems to me that to have been brought to his present position from unpromising beginnings he is likely to possess qualines of intellect and leadership of a higher order than he is sometimes given credit for. He does perhaps share with Mr

John Major a limitation on oratorical gifts and to that extent may fail immediately to inspire. He is a selfeffacing and caring person who, I am quite sure, will not spare himself in striving to serve the community in general and the Church of England in particular to the best of his abilities and, according to the lights that he is given, with all his considerable energies.

He needs and indeed deserves the prayerful support of all who care for the health of Christendom.

Yours faithfully. JOHN REDVERS. Tweenhills, Hartpury. Gloucester. April 15

Faith and certainty

From Mr A. R. F. Carter Sir. Lord Runcie ("Classics 'defuse religious bigotry", report. April 19) would do well to read again some words of T. S. Eliot in Notes towards the Definition of Culture.

But one of the features of development. whether we are taking the religious or the cultural point of view, is the appearance of scepticism — by which, of course, I do not mean infidelity or destructiveness . . . but the habit of examining evidence and the capacity for delaying decision. Scepticism is a highly civilised trait.

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though, when it declines into pyrrhonism. it is one of which civilisation can die. Where scepticism is strength, pyrrhonism is weakness: for we need not only the strength to defer a decision, but the strength to make one.

The current dimate of the Church of England seems to me to be one of pyrrhonism — that is, the belief that no certainty is ever possible. Dr Runcie's attack on fundamentalism is particularly inappropriate, since it would be difficult to argue that during his archiepiscopate the C of E did not come close to the death of which Eliot speaks.

The new orthodoxy is not the scepticism which may in time make a strong decision towards faith, but the pyrrhonism which celebrates the inevitability of doubt

From Miss Barbara Smoker

Sir, Had Bernard Shaw left his royalties to friends or relations the bequests would have been upheld as sacrosanci. But as Michael Holroyd's article (Life & Times, April 7) showed, the treatment of his public-

spirited will is quite outrageous. Most people, never having looked into the question of alphabet reform, think it was just a bee that GBS got into his bonnet in old age. Not so. He had been a keen advocate of a new, scientific, phonetic alphabet for most of his life. And he was not alone in this other celebrated alphabet and spelling reformers have included John Milton, James Howell, Benjamin Franklin, Herbert Spencer, Mark Twain, Andrew Carnegie and

Robert Bridges.
Since the English language has more than 40 phonemes and we have only 26 letters with which to spell them, we have to rely on digraphs (e.g., sh, th, ng, aw, oo), which are time-wasting and print-wasting, as are the cumbersome letter shapes. Worse, their phonetic ambiguity makes written English unnecessarily difficult for small children and foreigners.

However, as the British Museum own the Rosetta Stone, which symbolises the transition from hieroglyphs to alphabetic writing, it would be a neat solution to the moral problem if they could associate that with an educational scheme to promulgate the sort of modern alphabet that Shaw wanted and fund

it out of his money.

If small children were all taught a simple phonetic alphabet as a stepping-stone to the ABC it would take only 90 years or so before everyone knew both systems and the better could oust the worse, as Arabic numerals have ousted Roman.

Yours faithfully, BARBARA SMOKER (Honorary General Secretary, The Shaw Society), 6 Stanstead Grove, SE6.

From Mr C. A. J. N. O'Sullivan

Sir, As a not infrequent user in the past of the reading room of the British Museum I have much sympathy with Michael Holroyd's criti-cism of how little, if any, benefit the British Library has received from the British Museum's share of Bernard Shaw's estate; but as a former public trustee (1971-5) I must respectfully

correct him on two points.

The success of My Fair Lady played no part in "subverting his own phonetic experiment"; even if that musical had never been produced the then public trustee would have had no option but to seek a court ruling on the validity of Shaw's alphabet trust.

Mr Holroyd concludes by wonder ing whether "the misdirection of Shaw's funds over a long period" is not "now a matter for Shaw's

executor, the Public Trustee, to examine". I am sure that the present

public trustee would have to tell him that he has no power to do so. To end on a happier note. I can tell Mr Holroyd that there was at least one good deed in that otherwise naughty world: at the hearing before Mr Justice Harman counsel for the National Gallery of Ireland, on being invited to address him, rose to his feet merely to say that he had been instructed by his client not to argue against the validity of an object

"so dear to the heart of so distin-

guished an Irishman". Yours truly.
JOHN O'SULLIVAN, 13 Orchid Place. South Woodham Ferrers, Chelmsford, Essex.

From Mr Brian Alderson

Sir. The apportionment of the Shaw bequest is not the only problematic feature of the separation of the British Library from the British Museum, Another anomaly concerns the division of material between the British Library and the British Museum's Department of

Prints and Drawings. When the library was part of the museum a fairly casual system seems to have operated over the disposition of documents between the departments of manuscripts, printed books and prints and drawings. Some illustrations or proofs of illustrations might go to prints and drawings and some to manuscripts; some bound volumes would be defined as prints

and some as printed books. While the collections were housed together at Bloomsbury this separation was tiresome but of no great consequence. Now, with the British Library moving to its red-brick redoubt at St Pancras, the division may have serious consequences for scholars using both institutions.

No one seems to have realised, for instance, that our national library possesses almost no original editions of one of our greatest national poets, William Blake, since his illuminated books, having once been deemed "prints", are the property of the British Museum. I believe that what is true of Blake is true of much other

Is it feasible for the curators of these two national collections to list for us the most obvious anomalies so that we may know where we stand? May we also know if the needs of students of such subjects as illustration, printing, book-trade history and the poetry of William Blake are

being considered? Is there any means by which they can conjointly examine essential material from the two institutions that will soon be a mile or so

Yours truly, BRIAN ALDERSON. 28 Victoria Road. Richmond, North Yorkshire.

Village shops

From Mrs S. A. Bury

Sir, I was delighted to read your local government correspondent's report (April 15) that Test Valley borough council has introduced a policy of business-rate relief for village shops. Other councils have adopted a similar policy, including my own, South Shropshire district council, which based its scheme on one drawn up in 1991 by Wealden in Sussex.

Village shops and post offices have. suffered financially over the last five years from three main causes: the introduction of community charge in addition to rates for those living on shop premises; the need to meet more stringent food-hygiene regulations: the reduction in income in some small post offices.

Like many other rural services the village shop is on the decline. Any measures which can be adopted to arrest closures are to be welcomed. Yours faithfully. SARAH BURY,

Millichope Park, Munslow, Craven Arms, Shropshire. April 16.

Twilight zone From Mr Seweryn Chomet

Sir, Graham Chainey (letter, April 8) asks how many "last romanties" there have been. We have put this question to our computer, the answer is that at least 19 publications since 1980 have included this phrase in their title.

Yours numerically. S. CHOMET, King's College London, Department of Physics. Strand, WC2.

I will go further. Those who have come to know the One in whom they have believed, and by faith to trust His Word, may still hold in confidence to the strength that lies in scepticism.

As a teacher, I must teach my pupils to examine and to judge with discernment; but that does not prevent me from urging them, once they have made a decision, to hold it firmly.

Yours faithfully. RICHARD CARTER, 32 The Poles, Upchurch, Sittingbourne, Kent. April 9.

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Schools and standards

From Mrs Penny Seymour Sir. The school governing body of which I am a member has just received details of the government's "charter mark" scheme whereby public-sector organisations are invited to apply and compete for 50 annual awards of this mark, given

for high standards of service. While not doubting that our school (Liss Junior) would qualify, we fear that any attempt to nail a plaque to parts of our dilapidated buildings would precipitate their final collapse.

Our 20-year wait for a desperately needed new school may finally be drawing to a close, after much effort by local people including politicians of all parties to find a route round financial constraints imposed by central government. We are grateful for this support.

What we do not appreciate, however, whilst we and many other schools now less fortunate than us must yet cope daily with inadequate facilities, is the waste of resources on this latest government initiative, which strikes us at best as irrelevant and at worst as insulting.

Yours faithfully.
PENNY SEYMOUR, 99 Station Road, Liss, Hampshire.

Saving graces From Brother Daniel D. Walsh

Sir, A few years ago four mission personnel, including two bishops, arrived unexpectantly at our mission house in Liberia. The grace (letters, April 2, 4, 9, 14) said at the evening meal was: Bless us, O Lord,

And keep us all alive, There are nine of us for dinner, With just enough for five.

Yours faithfully. DANIEL D. WALSH, St Joseph's College, Trent Vale. Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

From Mr A. H. Ellis

Sir, I was once told (by a parson) that at an annual reunion dinner of furniture removers no one offered to say grace.

Eventually, a member who had been studying the menu volunteered. Standing up with the menu still in his hands, he said: Help us all. O Lord of power, To shift this load in under the hour. Yours faithfully, A. H. ELLIS, 6 Merton Avenue

Rustington, West Sussex.



COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE April 17: By command of The Queen, the Viscount Boyne, Lord in Waiting, was present at Heath-row Airport, London, this evening upon the departure of The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong of Malaysia and The Raja Permaisuri Agong of Malaysia and bade farewell to Their Majesties on behalf of Her Majesty.

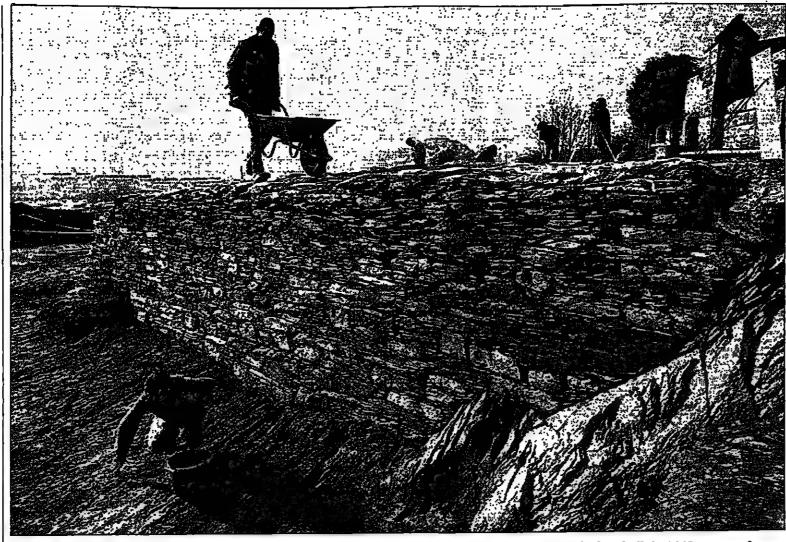
Today's royal engagement

Prince Edward, as Patron of the Scottish Badminton Union, will attend the finals of the Pilkington Glass European Badminton championships in the Kelvin Hall International Sports Arena, Glasgray 47 3 15 gow. at 3.15.

British envoy for Ukraine

Hemans, a senior foreign office diplomat is to set up residence in Kiev, probably in early June.

Britain has long maintained close ties with Kiev and it is unlikely that ambassadors will be appointed to other former Soviet



Archaeologists working on the site of a former station in Plymouth have uncovered the remains of a fort, built in 1643 as part of the city's defences against the Royalists. The walls of Resolution Fort are described by Chris Henderson, director of Exeter Museums Archaeological Field Unit, as "one of the finest monuments from the English civil war to survive in Britain"

Ministers must decide on powers of councils

By Douglas Broom LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE cabinet must make an early decision on the role of local government if attempts to provide the public with more information about how their money is spent are to succeed, according to the new head of the Audit Comm-

Peter Brokenshire, who will become acting controller of the commission next month when Howard Davies takes over as director general of the CBI, said ministers had to decide the purpose of local government

At present it was not clear who had ultimate responsibility for services such as education, the police and fire brigades. Central government provided most of the money but councils still had power to decide how much was spent on them.

Interviewed in today's edition of the Local Government Chronicle, Mr Brokenshire said: "There needs to be some local government in the administration of what are increasingly seen as central services such as police, fire and education."

At one level the government appeared to regard councils as nothing more than local administrators running a

lines set by ministers. Yet the same ministers reserved the right to cap council budgets on the basis of local spending decisions which affected their

"The government says we have given you the money to finance it and you are not doing it. The local authorities say your capping limits are all wrong anyway." he said.

ability to spend on central

He also gave a warning of the difficulty of producing league tables of council performance under the Citizen's Charter and said the roles of central and local government needed to be clearly defined to avoid confusion and buckpassing.

As the commission's direc-

tor of management practice, Mr Brokenshire has been responsible for drawing up plans to implement the league table scheme under the Citizen's Charter.

Among the problems facthe accurate measurement of the extent to which councils responded to local needs as opposed to simply meeting financial targets. "It is one thing to say that they answer the phone in a given period of time but do they tell you assist the short that they are the phone in a given period of time but do they tell you anything when they pick the national service along guide- phone up?" he said.

Weekend birthdays

TODAY: Dr C. Booth, director, Oxford Polytechnic, 49: Sir Walter Clegg, former MP, 72: Sir Roger de Grey, president, Royal Academy, 74: Mr Alan Devereux, former chairman, Scottish Tourist Board, 59: the Marquess of Donegail, 76; Miss Sylvia Fisher, soprano. 82; Mr Brian Fuller, commandant, The Fire Service College. Moreton-in-Marsh, 56; Mr David Gee, former director, Friends of the Earth, 45; Sir Peter Hordern, MP, 63: Mr Peter Jeffrey, actor, 63; Lord Leatherland, 94; Lord Mason of Barnsley, 68: Miss Hayley Mills, acrress, 46: the Rev Dominic Milroy, OSB, headmaster, Ampleiorth College, and chairman Londonese (Conf. College). man, Headmasters' Conference. the Right Rev Dr E.J.K. Roberts, former Bishop of Ely, 84: Sir Teddy Taylor, MP, 55: Sir Edgar Unsworth, former Chief Justice of

TOMORROW: The Earl of Annandale and Hartfell, 51; Mr William Baillie, president, Royal Scottish Academy, 69: the Most Rev Luigi Barbarito, Apostolic

Barker, tennis player, 36; Mr Algy Cluff, chairman, Cluff Oil, 52; Mr Tim Curry, actor, 46; Mr Glyn England, chairman, Windcluster, 71; Mr Trevor Fran-cis, footballer, 38; Sir Andrew Gilchrist, diplomat, 82; Mr Jus-tice Henry, 61; Professor John Horlock, former vice-chancellor, Open University, 64; Mrs Margo MacDonald, former MP, 48; Mr Dudley Moore, actor and com-poser, 57; Mr Garfield Morgan, poser. 57; Mr Garfield Morgan, actor, 61: Mr Murray Perahia. planist. 45: Mr Richard Phelps, pentathlere, 31: Mr Justice Roch. 58: M Michel Roux, chef and restaurateur, 51: Mr Wilf Stevenson, director, British Film Institute. 45: Professor A.W. Wilkinson, paediatrician, 78.

A.H.R. Stebbing, MA A service of thanksgiving for the life of A.H.R. Stebbing, former Headmaster of St Andrew's School. Pangbourne, will be held in the School Chapel on Saturday, May 9. at 3pm. Further details can be obtained from the School

House yields dusty secrets

BY JOHN SHAW

A GREAT house has put on show 58 items, dating from the Romans to the Victorians, that had lain lost and forgotten for years in attics and dark corners.

The exhibition marks the

restoration of Burghley House near Stamford, Lincoinshire, by Lady Victoria Leatham, daughter of the sixth Marquess of Exeter. Burghley was built by Wil-liam Cecil, treasurer to Elizabeth I. His son was created Earl of Exeter and his descendants have lived in the 115room house ever since. Many were great collectors and nothing was thrown away.

For ten years Lady Victoria and assorted experts have been trying to make sense of abandoned objects and fit them into the house's history. An early discovery was a Japanese kakiemon-style

group of two wrestlers used as a doorstop in a state room. Until it was identified it was generally accepted that most of the house's oriental porcelain had been dispersed in the nineteenth century. An inven-

the doorstop was identified.

While clearing out a storeroom Lady Victoria came
across a bundle of old newsperers and paramed in a papers and, wrapped in a 1936 copy of *The Times*, lay a small ivory figure of Daphne and Apollo, bought by the fifth earl for 60 crowns during an Italian tour in 1684.

The family had thought Burghley's silver collection was well documented but recently a silver pen stand tucked away at the back of a cupboard was identified as the work of Phillip Syng, who made the stand used in the signing of the American declaration of independence in

Harry Secombe discovered two small Roman pots in a drawer while filming at the house for the religious pro-gramme Highway. Just be-fore Christmas a cabinet drawer that had been stuck for years was opened and inside was found a nineteenth century snakeshead bracelet studded with seed pearls, tur-quoises and tiny rubies. It had belonged to Georgina Packenham who married the

third marquess in 1848. Lady Victoria said Burghley had no electricity until 1956 and supplies did not reach the attics until 1983, "so everything that was up there was lost to sight and lost to memory ... But also in Victorian and Edwardian days it was considered awfully bad form to know what you had and to boast about your possessions and this rubbed off on people who lived in the house and they ignored what was all about them."

"Ten Years of Discoveries" is open daily at Burghley House

Recession forces sale of antiques

ANTIQUES from the Fine Art Society Galleries in Scotland are expected to fetch more than £200,000 at Phillips in Edinburgh on May

Premises in George Street, Edinburgh, and Blytheswood Street, Glasgow, have closed, reflecting the recession which continues to squeeze the art

The society, based in New Bond Street, London, has had a presence in Edinburgh since 1972, and in Glasgow since 1979. There has been a management buy-out of the Glasgow office, which reopened as Roger Billcliffe Fine Art on April 1. Mr Billcliffe, an authority

on Charles Rennie Mackintosh, was formerly associated with the Hunterian Museum at Glasgow University, and will remain a director of the

Forthcoming marriages

Lientenant R.S. Curtis, RN

and Miss A.M. Wild The engagement is announced between Roger, son of Mr and Mrs John Curtis, of Bonchester Bridge, and Alison, daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Wild, of St

Mr A.M. Garrood and Miss B.C. Pither

The engagement is announced between Andrew, eldest son of MI and Mrs David Garrood, of Farnham Common, Buckinghamshire, and Brigitte, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jon Pither, of

and Mrs A.S. Langley

The engagement is announced between Lord Hankey of Cowden, kent, and Stephanie younger daughter of the late Brigadier Percy Paulet King, and step-daughter and daughter of Major and Mrs Kenneth Ford, of West Wittering, Sussex.

and Miss P.M. Scott The engagement is announced between Mark younger son of Mr and Mrs B.F. Parkhouse of

Barnstaple, Devon, and Philippa, elder daughter of Mr and Mr. I.H.C. Scott, of Torrington. Devon

Mr C.G. Willis and Miss L.M. St. Amour The engagement is announced between Christopher Guy, eldest son of Major-General and Mrs John Willis, of Graffham, West Sussex, and Lynn Marie, eldest daughter of the late Mr D.W. St Amour and Mrs J.S. Pierce, of Rudingron, Vernoon, USA Burlington, Vermont, USA

Mr A.D. Wolfendale and Miss L.S. Dunning

The engagement is announced between Alistair David, eldest son of Mr P.C.F. Wolfendale and Dr M.R. Wolfendale, of Great Brickhill, Buckinghamshire, and Lindeau Sally youngest daughter Lindsay Sally, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs C.A.F. Dunning, of Stockbridge, Hampshire,

Buddhists accused of blocking true paths

BY KERRY GILL

A PUBLIC access dispute on a Scottish island, which will be taken over by Buddhist monks as an inter-denomina-tional retreat today, may have to be resolved in court.

The ecumenical centre will be established by the Samye Ling Tibetan community on Holy Island, a small outcrop off Arran in the Firth of Clyde. However, the Scottish Rights of Way Society said it was upset that the Buddhists intended to stop visitors landing on the isle's west coast without permission. Free ac-cess to the countryside has always been a Scottish tradition.

Judith Lewis, the society's secretary, claimed the public had a right to land in order to use existing rights of way. "We are very concerned. It

seems the Buddhists want to have it as a quiet island and keep any visitors to the east which is not as interesting."

The Samye Ling community intends building a contemplative centre and two temples, one at each end of the two-mile long island, once the home of St Molios, an Irish missionary, who lived there in a cave during the sixth century. The society has enlisted the help of Cunning-hame council which has amassed evidence showing that there are a number of established rights of way on Holy Island.

Tom McCarthy, of the Samye Ling centre, said he hoped that an agreement allowing some access could eventually be drawn up.

Anniversaries

Today
BIRTHS: Louis Adolphe Thiers,
1st president of the Third Republic of France 1871-73, Marseilles,
1797; George H. Lewes, philosopher, dramatist and scientist,
London, 1817; Leopold Stokowski, conductor, London, 1882.

DEATHS: John Foxe, martyrolo-gist, London, 1587; Erasmus Darwin, physician and poet, Derby, 1802; H.A.L. Fisher, his-torian, London, 1940; Sir John Fleming, electrical engineer, Sidmouth, 1945; Albert Einstein, physicist, Nobel laureate 1921, Princeton, New Jersey, 1955.

BIRTHS: Christian Ehrenberg. biologist and explorer. Delizesch. Germany. 1795: Richard Hughes. novelist. Weybridge. Surrey. 1900.

DEATHS: Psolo Veronese, painter, Verona. 1588: George Gordon Byron, 6th Baron Byron, poet, Missolonghi. Greece, 1824: Benjamin Disraeli, 1st Earl of Beaconstield, prime minister 1868, 1874-80, London, 1881: Charles Dargin papuralist Charles Darwin, naturalist, Down, Kent, 1882: Daphne du Maurier, novelist, Par, Cornwall,

Church services for Easter Ruch, Missa brevis in F (Mozary, The Sector, 6.30 E5, He I Brusti, ST MARYLE-STRAND (WENS Charett), Strand WC2: 11 Sung Communion, with Blessing of the New Fire, Rev E Thompson.

CANTERERINY CATHEDRAL: Ensure
Ever 9.30 Mr. 3.13 E. Responses (Walsh).
Gray in F minor. Caristus facus en
Grackner): 11 Easter Vigil Ceremonths
and First Euch of Easter. Ridout in F.
Easter Day: HC. 10 M. Term. Iremult
(Byrd). Camerbury Service (Howelis).
Hace Dies (Byrd): 11 S. Eoch. Missa
irevis in D. Magdalan, case from sobs
and sighs (Hurloud). The Archibishop;
3.15 E. Tis the day of Resurrection
(Wood). Responses (Walsh). Sandrod in
A. Welcome Sweet and Sacred Feast
(Finzi): 6.30 Sezmon and compline, Rev
Dr C A Lewis.
FORM HINSTERS Easter Eve 7.30 M
and Ante-Communique: 4 E. Short
Service (Gibbons). Scio enim (Lassus;
6.30 Paschal Vigil. Easter Day: 8 & 8.45
HC. 10 S Eoch. Missa brevis [Mozard,
This joyful Easteride (Trad). Most Rev J.
Haspood: 11.30 M. Responses [Ayleward], Noble in B minor. Very Rev
J. Southgate; 4 E. Dyson in D. Rise heart,
thy Lord is risen (Yaughan Williams).
ET PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: Easter Eve. 8
Ante-communion (said): 10 M. Benndichte (vi). Benedicant (y. Forule meus)
(Victoria). 5 E. The Short Service (Tallis).
I love the Lord (Harve). Easter Day: 7.30 M (said): 8 & 9 HC. 11 Orchestral
Ench. Haet dies (Byrd), Missa brevis in
C Spatzennesse (Mozard, Juan tranrisset sabbanium (Taverner): 3.15 E.
Dyson in D. Rise heart, thy Lord is risen
(Yaughan Williams). To Denn Colleglum Regale (Howells), Canon C Hill.
WESTMINSTER ABERT: Easter Eve. 9.20 M. Litany and Ante-Communion C.
Spatzennesse (Mozard, Sands o vost
omnet: 8 Service for Easter Eve. 9.20 M. Litany and Ante-Communion; 8. Farratu in A minor, Casals O vost
omnet: 8 Service for Easter Eve. 9.20 M. Litany and Ante-Communion; 1. E.
Sermon and Procession. S. Paul's
Service (Howells), Worthy is the Lamb
Henndel, Rev M. Johnson; S.45 Organ
retial: 6.30 ES. Canon C Semper. recital: 6.30 ES. Canon C Semper.

SOUTHWARE CATHEDRAL: Easter Eve.
11.30 M; 12 HC; 4 Choral E. Easter Deg:
9 HC; 11 Enrit, Misse Ecor exp Jeanner
(Palestrina), Hacc dies (Byrd), Tuts
joyful Eastertide (Wood), The Bishop of
Southwark: 3 E & Te Deum, Stanford in
A. Haec dies (Byrd), Rise, heart, thy Lord
is risen (Vaughan Williams), The
Provost.

(Schubert), its resurrent from mers in a minor (Bach), Final Symphonie vi Viernet, Octobran HE The Cartinat, 10 MP. 1.30 Ottos recent 1.30 Science V & B., Magnificat point total (Lasson), Laudius in Sancis (Byrd), Prejude and Fegue in G (Bach).

Figure in G (Bach).

ST SEROMER'S CATHERDRAL Southwark Easter Ews 9pm Easter Vigil.

Raster Day; 8 LM; 10 Children's Service;
6 Macs: 11.30 Choral Mass, Spetzem
Mass (Mozard, Halleiujah Chorus (Handel), Vely läv Canon James P Pannet.

THE CHAPEL ROYAL, SL James's Paince Easter Day; 8.30 MC 11.15 Seach, Missa brevis in F (Mozard, Rev G D Wendles.

ROYAL HOSPITAL Chaises, SWJ:

Easter Day; 11 M (1662) Above all praise and Englesy (Mendelssohn),

Easter Antherse, Grand Chocar in D (Collinand, Err T Hing.

GOLIERAS CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: Easter Day: 11 S Euch, Duries in F. Very Rev Dr E Carpenter.
ROTAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SEIO: Easter Day: 11 S Euch. This joynul Easteride, The heavens are tailing (Haydn). The Chaplain.
GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barnecks, SWI: Easter Day: 11 Choral HC, Haec dies (Byrd), Missa brevis in C (Mozard, Ubi carines (Daruflét, Alletula Alletula Gyre Thanks to the Living Lord. The Chapisin.

Tor Chaptein.

Tower of London, EC3: Easter Day State Parade; 11 M and sermon, Responses (Reading), To Deum (Howelts), Jubilate (Chand, Christ rising again (Syrd), Canon J G M W Murphy. Itarie: Church, Flees Ecres; Chester Day: 8.38 HC, 11.15 MP & HC, Responses (Rosel, The Easter Anthems, To Count Landamus (Vangham Williams in G), Jubilate Deo (Dyson in D), Blessed be the God and Father (Wester). The Master.

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WESTRIPSTEE CATHERIA: Easier
Ewe 8 MP. 10 The Office of Readings. O
rot omnes, Sepuito Domino, Recessis
pastor noster (victoria), Christus factus
est (Anerol), 8.30 The Easier Vigit,
Missa festive (Pesters), Haer dies (Byrd),
O sacrum convivium (Messiaen), Prilude and Fugue in D major (Bach),
Easter Day: 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 8 7 Mass:
10.30 SM with orthestra. Mass in G

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Master.

ST CLEMENT DANÉS (RAF Church)
WC2: Easter Day: 9 HC 11 Choral Euch,
Rev A T R Goode.
CHAPEL ROYAL Hampion Court Palace Easter Day: 8.30 HC 11 M, Easter
Anthems (Middleton), Smanfont in C.
Hase dies Byrdl: 3.30 E. The Joyful
Eastertide. Blair in B minor. Morsi
glorious Lord (Armstrong Gibbs).
ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Easter
Day: 11 5 Etich. Rev Canon P Delaney.
ALL SAINTS. Margaret Street, W:
Easter Eve. 10.30pm H/M. Mariazellermeise (Haydri. Easter Day: 8 & 5.
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(Mozard, Hase dies (Myd.), The Vicar: 6
8 & 8., Stanford in C. Silessed be the God
and Father (Wesley), Rev C A Jones.

CARRET CHURCH, CHULITA, IWE Easter Day: 8 RC; 11 S Euch, Rev N

Easter Day: 6 FC; 11 5 Euch. Rev N Vigers.

GROSVENOR CHAPFL, South Audley Street: Easter Eve: 5.30 E7: 9 Solemn Elicuty of the Peschal Vigil and Solemn Mass of Easter, Stev. 5.30 E7: 9 Solemn Linuty of the Peschal Vigil and Solemn Mass for force to the Control of Easter, Day: 8.15 HC. 11 Procession and SM, Mass in Ot Schuberth. Christ lag in Todesbenden (Bach), Fr Marks.

HOLY TRUNITY, Brompson Road, SWT: Easter Day: 10.30 Family Communion Service. Sandy Mular: 6.30 Informal E8, Tom Gillum.

HOLY TRUNITY, Prince Consort Road, SWT: Easter Day: 8.30 HC. 11 Choral HC. Rev Dr M Israel.

HOLY TRINITY, STORE EFFECT.

SOLY THENTY, FIRCE CORDON BOOK.

SWY: EASTER Day: 8.30 NC 11 Choral

HC. Rev Dr M ISTAC.

HOLY TRINITY, Sloams Street, SW1:

RASTER Day: 8.45 HC. 11 3 Ench, Mass

for five voices (Byrd), Rev K Yares.

AT ALRAN'S, Brooke St. ECI: Easter

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CHORAL E. Responses (Choral), Byrd

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Easter Idea (Harris), Rev J Vine.

ST GEORGE'S, Bloomborts, Well:

Easter Day: 8.30 HC. 11 S Euch,

Sannford in A. The Rector.

ST GELBS-IN-THE-FIELDS, St. Glest

Hugh St. WC: Easter Day: 6 & 12 HC.

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11.13 Choral M. FF F Gent; 6.30 E. FT Robson.

ST MARK'S, Bourne Street, SW!: Easter Day: 9, 945 & 7 LM: 11 HM, Missa In resurrectionist Domini (vecchi), Fr N Kavanagh: 6 Solenn E. & B. Evening Canticles (Sumsion).

17 MARY L. Frances Hill, NW3: Easter Day: 5.30 Euch at the Dawn: 8 HC: 10.30 Festal Euch, Mass In G (Schubert), Rev J Ovenden; 6 Festal E. ST GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS, St Glies High St, WC2: Essier Day: 6 & 12 HC; 11 MP, Rev G C Taylor: 6.30 EP, Rev P Paunch. PRINCE.
ST JAMES'S, Garlickhythe, EC4 (now at S; Michael Paternoster Royal): Easter Day: 10.30 S Euch (1662), Rev J Paul. ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, WI: Easter Eve: 9pm Easter Vigil Service. Easter Day: 8 HC, 11 Choral

ST JAMES'S, Muswell Hill, NIG: Easter Day: S HC, 10.30 Family Service, Prob M Bonker, 6.30 EP, Rev G Williams. IT JAMES'S, Floradilly, W1: Easter Day: 8.30 EC; 11 S Euch, Rev D Reeves; 5.45 EF.

BY LAMBEY, Ficendilly, WI: Easter Deg: 8.30 HC, 11 S Each, Rev D Reever, 5.45 EF.

LAMBEY, Susses Gardens, W2: Statist Eve: 6.30 EP. Easter Day: 8 HC; 10.30 S Euch, Coronation Mass pionary, Hallelujah (Elandel), The Vicar; 6 Pental Evensong, 57 Frant's Service Cowellah, Riessed be the God and Pather (Weisley). Est Il Buells.

ST JOHN'S Hyde Park Crescent, W2: Easter Day: Sam Easter Vigil; 8 HC (said); 10 Parish Communion, Rev T Birchard; 6.10 ES, Rev O Ross.

ST JOHN'S WOOD CHUTCH. NWS: Easter Day: Sam Easter Vigil, Missabrevis in C (Mainlas), Greater Low Creinand, Easter Day: B HC, 9.30 Parish Communion; 11 S Each, Missabrevis in C (Mainlas), Greater Low Creinand, Easter Day: B HC, 9.30 Parish Communion; 11 S Each, Missabrevis in C (Mainlas), Greater Low Creinand, Easter Day: B HC, 9.30 Parish Communion; 11 S Each, Missabrevis in C (Mainlas), Greater Low Creinand, Easter Day: B HC, 10.30 S Each, Dunction, The Vicar.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: Easter Day: 8 & 12.15 HC, 10.30 S Each, Dunction, Rev D R Watson; 6.30 Choral E, Chorla in excelcis den (Weilkes), Magnificat Reputhal wall (Victoria), Rev S Adami, 18. T MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: Easter Day: 8 HC, 10 Family C, Rev J Humble; 11 S Euch, Missa brevis in B Rd (Mozart), Christ the Lord is risen again (Rutter), Rev K White.

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ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: Rester Day: 8 HC, 9.45 Rnch, St. Martin's Service (Stringen, Easter Anthens, Jubliane (Britten), This joyful content of the Coronastor (Mozart), Christon, Rev W D Kennedy Bell.

ST MARK'S, Rourne Street, SW1: Easter Day: 9, 9.45 & 7 LU, 11 HM, Missa in 11.150 Lord Mark, Sourne Street, SW1: Easter Day: 9, 9.45 & 7 LU, 11 HM, Missa in 11.150 Lord Mark, Sur Mark's, Rourne Street, SW1: Easter Day: 9, 9.45 & 7

Strand WC2: 11 Sung Communion, with Blessing of the New Fire, Rev E Thompson.

BY MATTEREWS, Great Peter St. SW1: 8 Like: 10 SM, Music (Mattray/Lourdes), Rev R Crawford: 4-30 Syrian Orthodox Mass, Pr E Razim.

BY MECHARIES, Cheeser Square, SW1: Easter Day: 8.15 HG: 11 MG 7 Informal ES & HC at Grey Coat Hospinal Lower School, Graham Terrace and at St. James the Less, Vauchail Bridge Rood.

BY MECHARIES, Conthill. ES: Easter Day: 11 Choral Such, Darke in R. Easter Day: 11 Choral Such, Darke in R. Easter Day: 10.30 Pamily & HC, Rev N. Lee Christ Alive's, 6-30 Hope For The Puture, John Peters.

BY PAULYS, Wilson Piace, SW1: Easter Sy: 9pm Easter Vigil, Communion Service in G (Stanford), we praise they. O Father (Glisbons). Easter Day: 8 9 RC: 11 Sciemn Such, Communion Service in B flat Stanford). This is the day (Hodoson). Replina Chell (Socieno), law C. Communion Service in B flat Stanford). This is the day (Hodoson). Replina Chell (Socieno), law C. Communion Service in B flat Stanford). This is the day (Hodoson). Replina Chell (Socieno), law C. Communion. Service in B flat Stanford). This is the day (Hodoson). Replina Chell (Socieno), law C. Communion. Service in B flat Stanford). This is the day (Hodoson). Replina Chell (Socieno). Replina Chell (Socien HOOOL
THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Surer,
WI: Easter Eve & Missa Sancti Nicolai
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emer). Easter Day: 11 Missa brevis (perkisky). Terra tremult (Byrd), Maria teagenient (between). CHURCH OF OUR LADY, Lisson Grove, SI John's Wood: Easter Day: 10.45 Sung Lain Mass. Helligemesse (Haydin). Surredt Pastor Bonis (Vitzarda). FARM STERET. WI: Easter Day: 7.30, 6.30, 10, 12.15, FF Edwards, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM. Surrexit Christus

hodie (Prastorius), Missa brevis in D (Mozari), Terra Irkmuli (Byrd), Haec dies (Palestrias). The ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: Easter Day: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Coronation Mass (Mozari, Surreti; Pastor Bonis (Victoria), 12,30, 4,30, 7; 3,30 V & B, Haec dies (Sheppard; ST ETHELDREDATE, Ely Place; Easter Parior Boills (Victoria), 12.30, 4; 3.30, 7; 3.30 V & B. Haer dies (Sheppard).

ST ETHELDREDA'N. Ely Piacc: Easter Eve: Esser Vigil, Hase dies (Byrd), Goronation Mass (Mozart), Easter Day; il Coronation Mass (Mozart), Eraster Day; il Coronation Mass (Mozart), Eraster Day; il Coronation Mass (Mozart), Eraster Day; il Coronation Mass (Mozart), Haec dies (Erit), Ave verum (Byrd), Fester Vigil Mass, Missa brevis il C (Naydin), Haec dies Erit, Ave verum (Byrd), Fester Day; 8.30, 10, 11, Missa O Quam Gloriosum (Vittoria), Exsullate Iusti (Viadana), Finisa Lam Bunt Problia (Murary), 12.15 & 6.30 Mass.

American Chilech in London, Touenham Court Ed, Wi; 9.45 Sunday School; il Worship, Rev B Allison.

CITY TEMPLE, Holborn, EC!: Easter Day; 10.30 Rev N Rivell-Cartuae, Elind E STREET METHODIST

RENSINGTON TEMPLE, (Charlematic, Noming Hill Gate, Wil: 9 Easter Communion: 11 Celebration: 2.30 Celebration: 6.30 Baptism: 9 Resurrec-tion Rave.

tion REVE.

RENSINGTON URC. Allen Street, W8:
EASter Day: 1) Rev P Lovelet.

REGENT SQUARE URC (Presbyterian/
Congregational), Tavistock Piace, WC1:
Easter Day: 11 Rev Dr R Scopes (no
evening service).

SALVATION ARMY (Regent Hall), Caford Si W1: Easter Day: 11 Commissioner & Mrs David: 630 Baxendale.

ST ANDREWS URC. Fromal Lang
NW3: 11 Rev Dr P Morgan.

ST ANDREWS AGENER (Furthern) ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran).

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Gresham St, ECZ: Easter Day, '1) Choral

HC, Rev R T Englund: 7 Bach Vespers.

Cantana 4 'Christ lag in Todes Banden',

violin Concerno in E. Haec dies

(Zelenka), Rev M Meech. ST JOHN'S WOOD URC. NWS: Easter Day: Johning St John's Wood Church, NWS for 11.

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WESLET'S CHAPEL City Road, ECC:
EASTER DAY II MS & HC, Rev Dr G E
Barriu & Rev P Hulme.

WESTMINSTER CENTRAL RALL (Methodist), SW1: Easter Day: II & 6.30 Rev
Dr R John Tudor. WESTMINSTER CHAPEL Buckingham Gate, SWI: 11 & 6.30 Rev Dr R T Kendall WESTMENSTER MEETING SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (Quakers), 52 St Martins La WC2: 11, Meeting for worship.

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Telephone 071 481 4000 Come let us return to the Lord...after two days he will revive us, on the third day he will raise us to live in his presence. Hosea 6: 1.2

BIRTHS

17th to Joanna (Nee Siddall) and Nicholas a son. James Henry. BARSOUR - On April 16th

to Annette and Jain a daughter. Grace Amelia. a sister for Megan.

HAZELL - On April 10th 1992. to Gillian rose Dattoni and Robert. a daughter. Amanda Elizabeth Louise, a

MUTCHINSON SMITH - On April 14th, to Belinda (nee Gurney) and Rupert, two sons, Hugh and Nicholas,

McALISTER - On April 15th

MUSCRAVE - On April 150\ 1992. in Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London, to Tessa POT - On April 10th, 1992, to

Carien (nèe Mees) and Wiet. two daughters, Saskia Jona Lidwine and Victorine Suzanne Emanuelle. ROBINSON - On April 16th. to Anita (née Anderson) and Matthew a son. Alexander.

ROWLES - On April 5th 1992. Io Nicola (née Baynham) and Bruce. A daughter, isabel Julia, a sister (or Johnny.

SCHELLER - On April 6th, to Debra (née Brywer) and Martin, a son, Nathan Robert, a brother for Sarah and Daniel.

SAWVERS - On April 11 to Polly (nee Boyes) and Mark a daughter. Perdita Lucy, first granddaughter for Audrey and John Sawyers and sixth grand-child for Martorie (Bill) Boyes.

WEST-RUSSELL - On Auri 15th, in Johannesburg, to Catherine unde Baker) and Christopher, a son, a brother for Mathew. to Jervi (née Cridian) and Trevor, a daughter, Emily Jane, a sister for Andrew.

MARRIAGES

STEVENS:CHONYN - TIM marriage took place in Chiswick on Saturday April 11th of Dr. Adrian Stevens on of Mr & Mrs S Stevens of Norwich and Miss Janey Cramyn, younger daughter of Mr & Mrs H Cronyn of Hammersmith

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

HAWKINS:LAIDLAW - On April 18th 1942. at St Bridget's Parish Church. West Kirby. Wirral. James Edward (Eddie) to Peggy. Now living at Bangor. County Down.

AYSHFURD-SANFORD - On April 15th, 1992, Victoria Tresyllian aged 50 years, peacefully al home, in Broadway. Wordestershire, Beloved wife of Michael, Will be sadily missed by all her family and many friends. Private family funeral. Memorial Service at St Michaels Church, Broadway at 2,30pm on April 29th, No flowers, but donations if desired to MacMillan Fund.

BAILLIEU - On March 4th 1992, peacefully in Epworth Hospital. Melbourne. Derren. In its 89th year Loving husband of Diana. Dearly loved father of lan. Floria. David. Kale. James (dec.). William and Edward. (ether.in.law of Marisanse (dec.). William and Edward.
Sather-in-law of Marianne.
Claire and Robyn. Devoted
grandfather of James.
Madeteine. Charles. William.
Elisabeth. Anny and Martha.
Loving brother of King (dec.).
Sunday (dec.) and Everard
After a service at St John's
Church, Toorak, on March
6th. a private burial service
took place at Point Loudale,
Victoria.

BROOKE - On April 12th 1992. peacefully in Newbury. Mary Geraldine. aged 90 years. Funeral at Putney Vale Crematorium on Thursday April 23rd 2.30pm. Flowers to Camp Hopson. Newbury or Putney Vale.

BUTT - On Friday April 10 tragically, Paul Cordon, beloved son of Richard and Ellen and much loved brother of Neal. The funeral service has al-Minehead. Rev. Arthur Cleveland aged 84 years, former minister of Salters Hall Baptist Church and secretary to the Temperance Council of the Christian Churches. Funeral at Taunton Crematorium. Thursday April 30th at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Memorial service to be announced later.

LESTER - On April 15th, at her home after a long litness borne with her usual patience and good humour. Hilda Mary. dearly loved wife of Harry Lester and mother of Michael. Catherine, John and Mari. Funeral Service at St John Fisher Church. Morden. Surrey, on Thursday April 23rd at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations. If you wish, to Alzheimers Disease Society. 158/160 Balham High Road. London SW12 98N

NORMAN - On April 16th peacefully in hospital, Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Norman KCVO. CB. CBE. aged 96. Dearly loved husband of Norsen and father of David and Grania and much adored grandfather, and great grandfather, Private cremation service on Monday. Memorial service on Thursday May 7th at 3pm at 5t Nicholas's Church, Wickham, Hants. HALL - On April 14th 1992.
Katharine Selina. Montaive.
Dumdries. widow of Hugh
Bullock Hall. Funeral
Service will take place on
Tuesday April 21st at
Giencairn Parish Church.
Kirkland. Montaive at 2pm.

WAY - On Wednesday April 15th 1992. peacefolly at Bovey Tracey Hospital. Charles Stanley (Stan). aged 90 years. of ldford. Devon. Beloved husband of the late Dotothy, loved father of the late Peler. daughter-in-law and grandchildren. Funeral Service 11.30 am Wednesday April 22nd at Exeler Crematorium. Flowers or donaltons for the Bovey Tracey Hospital League of Friends. c/o Countes & Sors. 73 Fore St., Bovey Tracey.

GDNAMS - On April 15 peacefully in the Royal Marsden. Timothy Charles, father of Jeremy and brother of Elizabeth, Lindsay and Anthony. Private funeral at Sandrews. Boxford. at 12 noon on Monday 27 April. Date of memorial service in London to be announced later. Date of memorial service in London to be announced later. PROSIO - On April 15th 1992. Moya thee Rayment. I see the Church of St Mary the Church of St Mary the Virgin. Hedgerley, on Wednesday April 22nd 1992 at 2 30 pm. Service 11.30 am Wednesday April 25 premistorium. Flowers or donations for the Bovey Tracey. Tracey. Private League of Friends. c/o Combes & Sons, 75 Fore St. Bovey Tracey.

WOOD - On April 10th 1992. Peacefully in Stoke Fleming. Dearly loved widow of Frank John Wood. A well-known plants who will be saily missed by her relations and friends. Funeral arrangements utrough a transpens to the private of the Perring. Dartmouth: on April 22nd at 2.50 pm. Torquay Crematorium.

PERSONAL APPEARS IN WEEKEND TIMES SECTION - PAGE 16

A SOUR WATERNO

Auswers from page 16 MIMSTUD

(a) A middle-aged male stick-in-the-mud, formed by (a) A minute-aged mate stick-in-the-mud, formed by telescoping the defining words into an acronym: "Ministude wear the same old pinistripe suits they have worn for 30 years, drink the same old Wadworth 6X out of pint jugs in the same old pubs, hallong these hear we magnitudity matter since believe there has been no worthwhile poetry since Louis MacNelce, and are said to be impossible to buy presents for."

GAPINGSTOCK

(a) An object of opened-mouthed curiosity, formed by analogy with laughing-stock: "If you go out wearing those socks you will become a gapingstock." QUAGGLE .

(b) A quivering, as of a jelly, by analogy from quagmire: "Steed strude through the quaggle of snivelling new boys like Goliath off to do some pretty vigorous laraelite-bashing." EXPONIBLE (b) Requiring further explanation, from the Latin . exposers to explain: "Such propositions are by some called exponible, by others imperfectly modal."

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Rover workers plan themselves out of jobs to reduce costs

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

WORKERS asked to find cost savings in the accounts department of one of Britain's biggest companies found a dramatic if effective solution: they sacked themselves.

Rover has been seeking productivity increases of about 30 per cent on the assembly lines of its car manufacturing plants in the Midlands. While blue collar workers submitted dozens of suggestions for increasing the speed and efficiency with which cars pour from the production lines, seeking simlar productivity gains among office workers was more

Then, within nine months of being set new productivity

Lawyers

fear legal

aid havoc

By RICHARD FORD

HOME CORRESPONDENT

NEW guidelines to magis-

trates on providing legal aid have been criticised by law-yers, who fear that they will leave the most vulnerable de-

fendants unrepresented.

They told the Lord Chancel-

lor's department yesterday

that the guidance could lead

to havoc in the running of

A circular from the depart-

ment said that justices' clerks

could not grant legal aid un-

less applicants produced

three monthly pay slips, 13

weekly pay slips or proof that they were receiving social sec-

group said: "The conse-

quence of the purported re-

quirements . . . is that many

defendants, including in par-

ticular those most vulnerable.

namely those in custody, may well be without the benefit of

legal aid. Many lawyers may

well be disinclined to take on

... a case when there is no

certainty that a legal aid order will be issued immed-

been angered further because

the circular was issued with out consultation with the Law

Society. The society will ques

tion the legality of the guidelines next week and call for

the circular to be withdrawn. The action by the Lord

Chancellor's department fol-

lows a report by the National

Audit Office, which criticised

the system governing the granting of criminal legal aid

in magistrates' courts. The bill for criminal legal aid in

all courts was £333 million in

1941-1 and the total legal aid

bill is estimated to be £857

concern about insufficient in-

formation on why legal aid

was being sought, or whether

applicants met statutory crite-

ria. It was also concerned

about a lack of evidence of

checks on applicants' income.

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Sex, spies

and Keeler

What happened next

became the subject of

speculation for many

years, as if it mattered

if I had slept with

Christine Keeler or

not, I am prepared to

admit now that I did. I allowed her to seduce me. That devil of a girl

could seduce anybody!

It was a good thing

that the furniture in

Stephen Ward's flat

was solid, otherwise

the material damage

resulting from our

love play could have

been considerable. We

devoured each other

like two animals . . . 9

Former Soviet agent

Captain Yevgeny Ivanov.

in the first exclusive

extract from his book

The Naked Spy - in The

Sunday Times tomorrow

The audit office expressed

million for 1992-3.

The Legal Aid Practitioners

magistrates' courts.

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iately, or at all."

targets by management, staff in a main accounts department produced their own novel solution: a plan to slim down their office from 174 people to 111 with no loss of output of invoices and

Those who had thought themselves out of jobs have moved on to other companies or to other areas within

John Towers, the new man running Rover Cars, pro-duced the example of enterprise yesterday as he explained the new philosophy behind, the most advanced industrial relations agreement in the European car

Red Nose appeals net £67m

By A STAFF REPORTER

DONORS who have given £67 million to the Comic Relief charity were last night shown how their money, raised during light-hearted Red Nose days, has been

The charity, which encouraged people to don bright red plastic noses for a day in each of the past six years, is not holding a Red Nose day this year. Instead, the team behind the fund-raising made a two-hour BBC1 programme, screened last night, which showed where the money has gone. Two-thirds of the cash was spent helping the starv-ing in Africa, and the remain-

The company has signed a

der in the UK.

Celebrities, including the treasure hunt compere Anneka Rice, the actor Geoffrey Palmer, the comedians Griff Rhys-Jones and Lenny Lenny and the short the comedians Henry, and the chat show host Jonathan Ross, appeared in the programme, which started with the results of a Radio Times poll for the best comedy of last year's Red Nose day.

deal with unions which guarantees job security for its 35,000 workers but demands in return complete flexibility from workers who are expected to be able to move to any job in any plant

The commitment from the workforce has surprised him. The company suggestion scheme alone is producing cost savings of £17 million a year with suggestions up by 400 per cent over those in

The return is thought to be the highest in any industry anywhere in Europe, with every worker on average coming up with at least one costsaving idea each year. The reward for a good idea is a cash prize or even a free Metro car, but only about £1.5 million is paid out a year, little in comparison with the

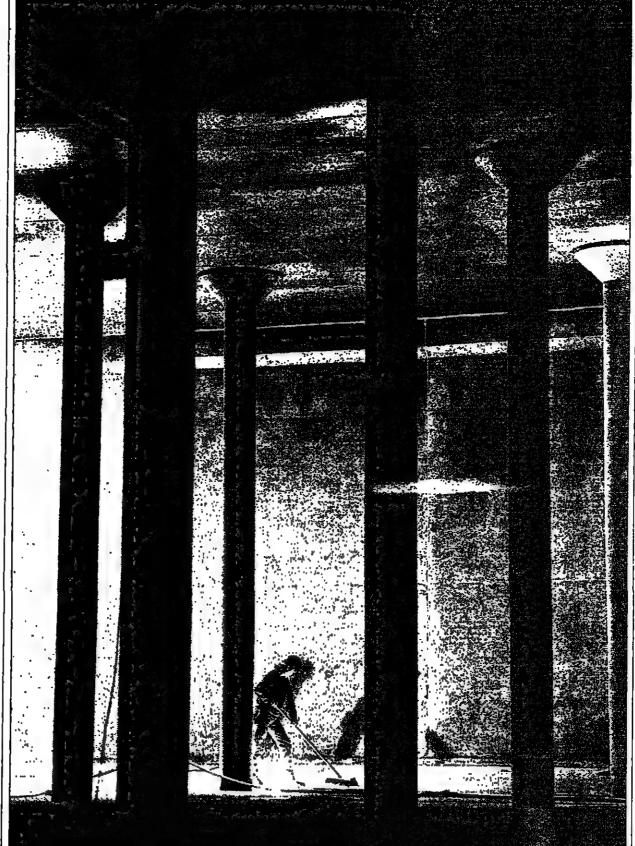
cost savings. Mr Towers said that ideas ranged far and wide and simple solutions had saved big amounts in production costs.

Owners of new Rover 200 models were being driven to distraction by a squeaky length of chromed rubber. No matter how pretty the chrome trim looked, it irritated them.

Managers at the company's Longbridge factory in Birmingham studied the puzzle form and a puzzle form a puzzle form and a puzzle form and a puzzle form a puzzle form and a puzzle form a puz zle from every angle, but it was the assembly line workers who came up with a solution saving about £15 on every

Each of the 13,000 Minis made annually for the Japa-nese market needed special equipment packages added when they arrived in Tokyo. Longbridge workers suggested a reorganization so that they could do the work on the assembly lines, resulting in a saving of about £40 a car, worth almost £500,000 a year

Mr Towers said: "We have a bottom line, which is that if this car company is successful then we all have jobs and we all get paid at the end of the week. We are asking our people to get involved and they recognise that and they are throwing themselves into the challenge so that we can achieve remarkable results."



Temple for a water goddess: Russell McLaine, of Thames Water, sweeping a new underground reservoir near Reading, Berkshire, before it is filled with more than three million gailons of water next week, enough for about 72 million cups of tea for nearby villagers. The reservoir, at Burghfield, has been built at a cost of £3 million to

over the next 25 years in the villages of Burghfield, Mortimer Common, Silchester, Tadley, Ufton Nervet and surrounding areas. "The new reservoir and new pumps mean that more water can be stored, giving back-up we did not have before," Mike Fordham, Thames Water's project manager, said yesterday. "In the past, there were occasional shortages when

water use was very heavy - on summer evenings, for example. The work will solve this problem." All that will be visible from the top will be a grassy bank, shielded by trees. Feeding the landscaped cavern with fresh water has involved the laying of more than 1.4 kilometres of new mains pipes leading from the Ufton Nervet mains

Hunt for attacker of boy intensifies

By PETER VICTOR

POLICE last night stepped up the hunt for an attacker who sexually assaulted and strangled a four-year-old boy at his parents' lodging house, doubling the number of officers engaged to o0. Investigafloor terraced house in Plymouth and detectives warned parents in the city to be extra vigilant.

They disclosed that the kill-er may have taken only five minutes to slip into Matthew Robinson's third floor bedroom to attack him. Det Supi Malcolm Corp, who leads the investigation, said "Manhew could have been assaulted and died in a five-minute

The child was killed in his bunk bed at the house in Saltash Road, Plymouth, Devon, early on Wednesday morning as his nine-year-old brother Jason lay asleep in the same room. "We are still interviewing the occupants of the house," a police spokesman said.

"With an enquiry like this we have to spend a lot of time with each of them." Detectives said that former tenants of the lodging house were

now being traced.
"I would say to anyone coming to the city this week-end that should be aware of this very nasty incident. I do not wish to scaremonger, but everyone should be vigilant." the police spokesman said.

Jason Robinson has received counselling from Plymouth police's child protection unit and has given detectives a detailed statement. "We have spoken to the boy's brother, who is very distressed," Mr Corp said. Materials taken from the house are bein tested, he added. Further searches of the premises are continuing

The Home Office's Holmes computer system is being used to assist the investigation and old rent books kept by the victim's parents. Alan Robinson, a 63-year-old inventor, and his wife Christine. 39, are being studied to trace former tenants.

A woman and four men who were regular tenants at the house have given the police witness statements, but are not being treated as suspects, Mr Corp said.

No serious risk in US, Britons told

TOUR operators yesterday reminded travellers, in the wake of the murder of a British woman in New Orleans, to heed the advice of local police and holiday company

representatives when abroad. The United States Embassy in London said that there was no serious risk to tourists in America. Speaking of the murder in New Orleans of Julie Stott, a Manchester textile designer, a spokesman said: "Any city has areas where it can be dangerous, be it Rio. London or Melbourne.

"More than two-and-a-half million Britons visit the US each year. They are given advice by travel couriers and others about where to go and about what not to do. New Orleans is a big city, but does not have a bad reputation. People go there for the jazz and exotic food. This sort of tragedy could happen anywhere in the world.'

The incident has embarrassed tourist authorities in the area. A serious attack on an elderly American ex-serviceman near the Tower of London two weeks ago also embarrassed the London Tourist Authority. Miss Stott, who was shot dead by a mugger, was be-lieved to be on the verge of announcing her engagement to her friend Peter Ellis, her grandparents said yesterday. Mr Ellis and Miss Stott,

both 27, were held up as they walked back to their hotel from the city's jazz quarter. Miss Stott was shot after being told to lie face down on the ground. Mr Ellis was working in New Zealand and Miss Stott, of Bridgewater Ciose, Eccles, Greater Manchester, met him in the US for a three-week holiday.

Her parents, Raymond Stott, 60, a retired ICI administrator, and Margaret, 55, a teaching assistant, of Bentley Avenue, Middleton, Greater Manchester, have flown to New Orleans to meet

Keith Betton of the Association of British Travel Agents said that no one should resist a mugging attempt."If someone points a gun at you it is not the time to argue. "Always carry a minimum

of cash and leave valuables in the hotel safe. Always ask the doorman or hotel reception staff which areas to avoid and where it is best to take a cab rather than walk after dark."

The drug was shipped from Peru to Liverpool in a consignment of coffee. It was terminal to a private warehouse in west London, where customs officials backed by police moved in last night.

weeks after customs officers seized a record 935 kilos of cocaine, worth up to £150 million, smuggled into Britain from Venezuela in lead ingots. Customs and Excise said that the seizures provided further evidence that Colombian cocaine barons were using neighbouring countries as loading points for ship-ments to the UK and Europe.

Sir John Cope, minister responsible for Customs and Excise, said that the continued vigilance of customs staff was essential "to protect against the terrible damage drugs can do to people's lives". In the first 15 weeks of this year more than 1,100 kilos of cocaine was seized compared with 1,060 kilos for the whole of last year.

Two held over £16m drugs haul

TWO Peruvians are being questioned after customs offi-cers seized 100 kilos of cocaine with an estimated street value of £16 million.

The discovery comes two

Gardens yield a cash crop

By JOHN YOUNG

WHATEVER the weather over the rest of the holiday weekend, thousands of people will be out celebrating the seasonal start of their favourite leisure pursuit: garden gazing.
Easter is when "stately

homes" reopen to the public. A survey by the Historic Houses Association shows that their gardens are be-coming as big an attraction as the houses.

The association, which represents more than 1.300 owners, says that, although there was no overall increase in the number of visitors last year, homes with good gardens enjoyed a surge in busi-ness. Among them were Cholmondeley Castle, Cheshire, where attendances were up 35 per cent; Parham.

West Sussex (up 31 per cent); Somerleyton Hall, Suffolk (25 per cent): Painswick Rococo Gardens, Gloucester-shire (13 per cent); and Chenies, Buckinghamshire (11 per cent). In each case, an enthusiastic owner has effected changes through re-

planting, regeneration and designing new features to attract visitors, the association Flower gardens laid out on

formal eighteenth and nineteenth century lines are back in fashion, but at Hatch Court, Somerset, Robin Odgers has reclaimed a walled garden from wilderness and is recreating it as a Victorian kitchen garden. Unusual and colourful vegetables, such as rainbow chard, attract visitors and

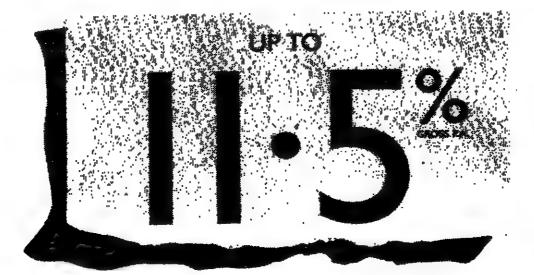
add interest to the menu of a

Interest in historic gar-dens is linked to the growth in enthusiasm for domestic gardening and the accompanying popularity of garden centres. This year, more than 2,500 homeowners will display the fruits of their labours to visitors under the National Gardens Scheme.

It may well be that visitors find it easier to "relate" to gardens, however grand, than to great houses and their contents. Few of us can aspire to furnish our homes with Canalettos and Chippendale, but we can always copy ideas from other peo-

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FOLLOW THE LEADER

Neil Kinnock deserves to be talked about in the same breath as Hugh Gaitskell - two remarkably gifted Labour leaders who never became prime minister. The party Mr Kinnock inherited in 1983 was internally schismatic, ideologically archaic and a prisoner of its own traditions. It retained the support of barely a quarter of the electorate. Through toughness tempered with honesty and charm. Mr Kinnock restored the party to a point where it could win a third of the votes cast in a general election. He deserves his party's gratitude and his country's respect

Will his successor be able to build on that achievement? Even before his resignation yesterday, Labour's old bugbear, disunity, threatened to break out. As John Smith's juggernaut gathered momentum, his putative opponents lay down in its path. They alleged that a decision on the leadership was being rushed and debate suppressed, at trade union behest.

The critics are talking their own book. Mr Smith has already won the support of the most formidable of the successor generation: Gordon Brown, Tony Blair and Margaret Becket. Only second and third rank opponents look like entering the lists against him. Bryan Gould is an articulate lightweight; John Prescott, an incorrigible bruiser. Ken Livingstone has steadily subtracted from the reputation he won as leader of the Greater London Council since he entered the House of Commons. Though these men cannot believe they might win, they calculate that a long campaign could enable them to whittle away Mr Smith's lead, by winning constit-

uency support. The timing of Mr Kinnock's resignation was of his choosing, not Mr Smith's. Mr Kinnock is not going at once. He announced yesterday that he will stay until the second half of June, allowing time for a short, intense period of debate. The party's executive which meets today could decide to delay his replacement until Labour's conference in September, extending that debate further.

That said, there is the whiff of a fix about what is going on. Mr Kinnock recaptured his party from the left, but many marks of the old occupation remain upon it. One is the electoral college which chooses his successor. It gives 40 per cent of the votes to the unions, only 30 per cent each to Labour MPs and Labour constituencies. That is no way to choose a leader. The unions are even stronger at party conference, where their block votes dominate all others. Mr Kinnock had plans gradually to reduce this but was persuaded to shelve them until after the election. The key decisions as to the party's future will now again be dominated by union barons, beginning with a decision on the leadership.

Unchallenged, this would mean that Labour was again saddled with uniondictated policies. Some of these policies, like the social charter and the minimum wage, will damage the economy. Unions are conservative institutions, led by cautious men. They are enthrailed to traditional labourism which has never adapted to the new demographies of wealth, class and region. They are indifferent to constitutional reform; they instinctively distrust talk of arrangements with other parties. If Labour continues to accept their dominance, it must continue to accept defeat.

The focus now moves to Mr Smith. He could sit back and wait for the union machine to deliver him the seat of power. But he will then be the union's creature. Or he could decide to be his own man. He could set out where he thinks Labour went wrong, and what he would do to put it right. His manifesto should include both a programme for party reform, and a redefinition of the party's appeal outside its ranks. A vote for Mr Smith would then be more than a vote for the electable face of Kinnockism. It would be a mandate for change. Without that change, the office of leader of the Labour party will continue to be nothing more than a ticket to the grief that Mr Kinnock suffered

NOT ONE OF US

The watchword of Margaret Thatcher's three election victories was "take no prisoners". The fate of the vanquished on the battlefield was simply to fall down and die. If John Major wants to mark last week's triumph by stamping his own more conciliatory style on public life, he should be raising a new flag: that of generosity in victory. There could be no better way of proving he means it than by altering the implicit rules for the exercise of political patronage. Mr Major should see that henceforth the springs of patronage rising in Downing Street and elsewhere in Whitehall flow freely again to right, left and centre.

Mrs Thatcher's approach to patronage was the simple rule: "Those who are not with me are against me." This Manichaean dualism had two consequences, neither of them good for the long-term health of British political life. She defined the enemy too widely, as in the famous catchphrase: "Is he/she one of us?" And she defined the enemy too righteously, as if those who disagreed with her must be tainted with moral evil or even treason. They were "the

enemy within". This narrowness inside the Thatcher bunker, verging at times on paranoia, helped her some way down the path of radical reform. There were quangos whose membership had to be changed if change in policy was to be implemented. There was no point in giving an industry chairmanship to a passionate nationaliser, if privatisation was in the offing, or a quango to a convinced regulator, if deregulation was the policy.

Yet the narrowness deeply alienated those ourside the magic circle. Mrs Thatcher broke an unwritten rule of the constitution: that at all levels of government, adequate room should be made for the presence of a "loyal opposition". Indeed, the continued unwrittenness of the constitution depends upon such conventions being observed.

The customs of Parliament guarantee a fair proportion of Opposition places on select

committees. The workings of local democracy do the same for local councils, perhaps a reason Mrs Thatcher was so hostile to them. Herein a measure of pluralism survived. But elsewhere, in the myriad committees. commissions, boards and governorships of national and local public administration, those not of Mrs Thatcher's ideological persuasion have felt the squeeze. Even in the House of Lords, she refused to appoint sufficient Labour and Liberal-Democrat nominees to maintain the previous balance. Now that the House is unlikely to be reformed in the forseeable future, Mr Major should be scrüpulous in seeing that Opposition benches are kept properly stocked and replenished.

There is no harm in occasional hard to the British establishment. But the shake has been administered and a new establishment is emerging which could do with some new blood. Those not of the Tory inner circle notionally represent over half the British population. Thirteen years in the cold is a long time; a further four or five years will be longer and colder still. One day there will be a change of government, and the longterm quality of public administration demands that non-Tories benefit from wider experience than just that of losing elections. Nothing tempers a tendency towards ideological extremism more quickly than a lesson or two in the art of compromise: in helping run a health district, a trust hospital, a university, a public corporation, a museum or gallery.

A more tolerant use of patronage would spread the art of government beyond a partisan ruling clite, and raise the quality of institutional debate. To exclude talented administrators and wise old heads just because they are of the wrong political colour is to impoverish public life. Mrs Thatcher made her point. Mr Major says he will be "prime minister of all Britons". He should make clear he regards all Britons as eligible to benefit from his vast powers of patronage

HERE BE DRAGONS

The fascination of dinosaurs is given a boost by an exhibition opening at the Natural History Museum today. The "terrible lizards" have had a greater appeal than more approachable animals ever since Waterhouse Hawkins displayed his life-sized models at the Crystal Palace in the 1850s. They have become a kitsch craze, being used as symbols to market everything from life insurance to lavatory paper, with a different creature on each perforated sheet.

Why dinosaurs should fascinate is a question as puzzling as what song the Syrens sang. This does not inhibit conjecture. They are the most successful vertebrates to have lived on this planet so far, having survived for 140 million years, and making Homo sapiens a mayfly for longevity. They are the largest animals that have ever walked the Earth; and it is hard (as well as alarming) to imagine their record being beaten, without some unexpected chicane in natural selection. Dinosaurs might be Jungian archetypes, programmed into human brains as primeval fears and fascinations: the dreadful dragons of the Garden of Eden. A child psychologist gave the simplest explanation of their peculiar appeal, when he said that they are big. fierce, and extinct.

Recent work at the dawn of terrestrial life has made dinosaurs more attractive than the dragons of folklore. Instead of monstrous behemoths so lumbered with superfluous weight that they had to live in slimy swamps. the latest anatomical calculations propose an alternative picture of herds of brontosauruses rampaging across the desert. Instead of the silly stegosaur, laying her eggs and abandoning them immediately because she did not understand what they were for, the recently named maiasauria has been identified as a good mother, brooding her babies.

Perhaps the greatest attraction of the dinosaurs for humans obsessed with mortal ity is the way, after so many millennia, they suddenly and silently vanished. The cause of this extinction is not yet clear. Crashing meteorites and catastrophic global dust clouds are the latest theories. Temperature changes, epidemics, and eating of dinosaur eggs by the first mammals have also been suggested.

In the present state of dinosaur art, the best guess is that a major cycle of mountain building in the Cretaceous Era changed the ecology of Earth so as to reduce the lowland areas where dinosaurs flourished. Continents broke up, the climate became wetter. vegetation changed. Dinosaurs, with huge bodies but tunnel vision, did not adapt. The decline of herbivorous dinosaurs would have been disastrous for the flesh-eaters that fed upon them. Whatever the cause, the mystery of their disappearance is part of dinosaur power. They are as potent a biological memento mori for ephemeral mankind as the literary symbol of Ozymandias.

The insoluble ambiguities of dinosaurs are part of their fascination. They are as potent symbolically today as they were physically 65 million years ago. And they are far more interesting for the young imagination than Mickey Mouse in Euro Disney. Not only are dinosaurs older and bigger than the pseudomouse. They pose fundamental questions of science, and even philosophy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Election hindsight: how the media and the pollsters got their forecasts wrong

From Mr Robin G. Hodgson Sir. Many column inches are being

devoted to explaining why experi-enced political journalists failed so signally to discern the underlying trends in voting intentions in the general election. From my perspective, there is a simple explanation -no real effort was made to talk to the

In the West Midlands we have a high proportion of critical marginal seats. In past general elections, political journalists have joined our canvassing teams to "feel the pulse" on the doorstep. On this occasion,

throughout the campaign. I met no journalists undertaking this work. Instead, they seemed to prefer to talk to party headquarters, to candidates, to ministers and to each other as well as, presumably, to read the opinion polls. No doubt this is a more glamorous and effort-free existence than trudging from door to door with the party activists. But it does have one drawback, it means that they rarely, if ever, met the one person who really mattered — the individual voter.

Yours faithfully. ROBIN G. HODGSON (Chairman, West Midlands area. National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations), 18 Milverton Terrace, Learnington Spa, Warwickshire. April 13.

From Dr Roger R. Dawson Sir, During every election campaign since 1970 I have graphed every individual opinion poll.

In 1970 most of the final opinion

polls wrongly predicted a Labour victory. In February 1974 they wrongly predicted a Conservative victory. In October 1974 they predicted a larger Labour victory than

I submit that in each of these instances there is a specific reason why the polls were so wrong: I call it the "ought" factor.
The 1966-70 Labour government

in fact occurred.

had struggled through some difficult years and the responsible chancellorship of Roy Jenkins was at last beginning to guide us towards the

Sir, The Labour party has changed its leader: It is time it changed its

name as well. Today the world is no

longer inspired by the dignity of

Labour but by the efficacy of automa-

tion.
"The Something-or-Other Demo-

cratic party" has been pretty well used up. "The Progressive party" is a possibility but I prefer "The Reform

party". It provides an antonym to the

historical associations giving it a bit

Of course members of the Reform.

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Sir, When Neil Kinnock and Roy

Hattersley took over the top two roles

in the Labour party, it was described as "the dream ticket". Quite so.

Sir, I despaired when I read, in an

otherwise excellent article ("Whose secret life is it anyway?", April 7)

Janet Daley's comment on the artist

and typographer Eric Gill's sexual abuse of his children: "the reve-

lations...if true...provide a fas-cinating picture of a defiantly unconventional life."

Anyone who has counselled adult

survivors of child sexual abuse (both

men and women) will be aware of its

terrible long-term effects, the total

of gravitas.

please everybody.

Chelsea, SW3.

Yours faithfully,

April 12.

GRAHAM BARTON,

West Hill, Green Walk,

Bowdon, Cheshire.

Secret lives

From Miss Sue Cook

Yours faithfully, WILLIAM DORRELL,

From Mr Graham Barton

127 Dovehouse Street,

Labour changes

From Dr William Dorrell

light at the end of the numel. People felt that they "ought" to reward this responsibility and promise, so they told the polls that they would do so; but their hearts were not in it, they feared the same medicine and instead they voted for the new hope Ted Heath offered.

In February 1974 people felt they 'ought" to vote for Ted Heath because he was fighting a war against chaos, so they told the polls they would; but in fact they voted for an easier life.

In October 1974 they felt they "ought" to vote for the Labour government that had ended the chaos, so they told the polls that they would; but many of them feared the consequences and did not do so.

In 1992 people felt they "ought" to vote for change and against the party that they saw as being responsible for the recession, so they told the polls that was what they would do; but instead they voted for their own pockets, together with individual freedom and opportunity, and against collectivism.

Yours sincerely. ROGER R. DAWSON, The Gables, Parsons Hill, Hollesley, Woodbridge, Suffolk.

From Mr Nicolas Walter

Sir. One reason for the unreliability of the public opinion surveys (and of the media comment on them) during the general election campaign is that one significant group was almost ignored — those who did not support any party, either because they had not decided which one to vote for or because they had decided not to vote for any of them.

If the pollsters and pundits had made clear that during the course of the campaign the number of "don't knows" ranges from 20 to 40 per cent a necessary note of caution might have been added to their almost universally false predictions.

In the same way, one reason for the unreality of the discussion of the actual results of this general election (as of its predecessors) is that it still ignores the non-voters. After all, a consistently large number of reg-

Sir. In August 1975 the then prime

minister, Harold Wilson, appointed

a working party, with me as chair-

man, "to consider the requirements

of a viable and prosperous British

film industry over the next decade".

One of the 39 separate recom-

mendations contained in our report

of December 1975 (Cmnd. 6372)

was that responsibility for film-as-an-

industry and film-as-an-art should

minister, to be responsible for the

arts as a whole, should assume the

functions of the various ministers

Following the resignation of Har-

old Wilson as prime minister during

the early part of 1976 most of our

recommendations regrettably came

to nothing. But I am sure that Lord

Wilson and the 12 surviving mem-

bers of the 14-strong working party

will welcome the appointment of Mr Mellor to the new cabinet with full responsibility for the arts (which I

assume includes films, a vital part of

our national heritage) and also for

broadcasting, and wish him success

in the challenging tasks which con-

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the first crossing of the boundaries

and breaking of trust, especially by a

close relative such as a parent or

Until we all recognise that this crime

is one of an abuse of power over the

most vulnerable and helpless of vic-

tims — children — and not an interesting literary footnote, we will

continue to assume that it is a minor

family peccadillo best left alone.

Whatlington, East Sussex.

Arts challenge

From Sir John Terry

concerned

front him.

grandparent

Yours faithfully,

SUE COOK,

Woods Place,

April 7.

Yours very truly.

JOHN TÉRRÝ.

istered electors don't vote, even in poll-dominated media-saturated general elections; and this time there was the additional factor of increased non-registration by poll tax non-payers. If all the electors are taken into

account, the true percentages in the 1992 general election are as follows: Conservative 32. Labour 27, nonvoters 22, Liberal Democrat 14. nationalist 2, others 3. Thus the Conservatives still have the support of less than a third of the electorate, and all the anti-Conservative parties combined still have the support of less than half; so none of the parties or possible groups of parties can claim a real mandate for any of their

Not all the non-voters are just "don't knows" or "don't cares"; some of them are "don't likes" and "won't votes". They are not just apathetic about politics, but also antipathetic to politicians, unconvinced by their policies and unimpressed by their propaganda, unsatisfied by the chance to cast a solitary vote for an undesirable candidate every few years, either believing that the political is the personal or else believing in a politics far wider than anything on offer.

They, too, should be taken into account if the views of all the British people are to be weighed rather than merely counted.

Yours etc. NICOLAS WALTER, 88 Islington High Street, N1. April 13.

From Professor Peter T. Landsberg Sir, The study of opinion polls is not like the natural sciences. In the latter we deal with inanimate matter, and our understanding becomes ever more accurate. In the study of opinion polls (on which there exists now an extensive literature), we deal with people.

People may be too shy to admit what their true voting intentions are: they may even wish to lull their political enemies into a false sense of security by claiming that they will vote for them, when they have no intention of doing so. This is the

Sir. In his letter of April 9 Dr Szreter

praises the manner in which eco-

nomic growth has been achieved in

Japan and Taiwan over the last dec-

ade, suggesting that this has been

greatly facilitated by providing equity of incentives for all citizens.

Britain, he says, should learn from

The recent political experiences of

Taiwan's inhabitants, combined

free market (with minimal govern-

ment interference) and a tardiness in

complying with some international

trade agreements, have all contrib-

uted to the outstanding economic

Taiwanese middle class increases in

Now things are changing as the

Taiwan economy

From Mr Jonathan Carr

"garden path effect", so named after the flop of the pollsters in the 1970 election (lener, June 23, 1970).

If one person in one hundred lies to the polisters, this represents already an error of 2 per cent. So an increasingly sophisticated public, somewhat tired of the polls, may play more and more games with the pollsters. The result? Surprise, surprise, here is one science which fails to get more accurate as time goes on.

Yours faithfully, P. T. LANDSBERG, The Athenaeum, Pall Mall, SWI.

From Mr Jim Latham

Sir. Richard Lamb is right (letter, April 11). It is still possible to predict accurately the result of an election without all the flashing lights of

modern technology.
At 11.30pm on Thursday night. with four results in. John Barnes, a lecturer in politics and government at the London School of Economics, forecast a Conservative majority of 20, live on air, as a member of the BBC Radio Kent election panel.

The time was carefully noted and, though challenged and varying his prediction up and down by two or three during the rest of the pro-gramme, Mr Barnes stuck to his

No computer and nothing up his sleeve, except superb knowledge of his subject.

Yours etc., JIM LATHAM (Managing Editor). BBC Radio Kent. 20-22 Watling Street, Canterbury, Kent.

From Mr Simon Stephens

Sir. Why all the confusion? The British public simply used the opin-ion polls to deliver a well-deserved reprimand to the Conservative party without paying the price of voting in the Labour party. Yours faithfully, SIMON STEPHENS,

Leander, Roman Landing, West Wittering, Chichester, West Sussex.

number, expectations grow, labour rates rise and Taiwanese industry

upgrades its technology while it

watches low-wage manufacturing activities being shifted to other parts

of South-East Asia. I am not aware of any claims that government incentives to all its citizens in equitable measure lie at the heart of Taiwan's economic success story. Nor do i believe that introducing such measures now, laudable though they might be as a social measure if funds were available, would increase Taiwan's eco nomic competitiveness.

Yours faithfully. JONATHAN CARR, 36 Alwyn Avenue, W4. April 9.

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In the dock

success of the island.

From Mr M. J. Faraway

Sir, Mr Norman Macleod's plea (letter, April 1) for the abolition of the dock will be unlikely to find favour with those who design and furnish courts. Indeed, there is every likelihood that the dock in our courts will steadily come to resemble the structure which gave rise to the name, i.e., the Flemish dok: a cage, fowl-pen, rabbit-hutch. The OED suggests that our "dock" derives from sixteenth-century rogues' cant.

Due, I think, entirely to financial considerations, magistrates' courts are being encouraged to reconstruct their docks so that they will more closely resemble cages, albeit with

stainless steel and toughened glass. As one who has always felt unhappy about the stigmatising effect of the dock, I regard these moves as wholly undesirable. If security has to be ensured by employing police officers or security guards, then that is what courts should do.

I would welcome the support of the legal profession in resisting the process towards encagement and towards the abolition of the dock except in special circumstances.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL FARAWAY (Clerk to the Justices), Redbridge Magistrates' Court, The Court House, 850 Cranbrook Road. ilford, Essex.

Fun for some? From Mr Alan H. Hooker

Sir, I was appalled to learn that "Comic Relief" is to be celebrated on

Good Friday — the pivotal day on which the whole of our Christian religion depends. This should be a day when we spend a little time meditating and thinking about what our religion means.

Although the end results of the "celebration" bring relief to the suffering, why not choose Easter Monday - a day when we can truly celebrate the resurrection of our Saviour?

Yours truly, ALAN HOOKER, 40 Shirley Gardens, Rusthall. Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Rail crossing safety From Mr Philip L. Harrley

Sir. The latest unmanned rail-crossing accident has resulted in further repetition of the arguments for and against half-barriers (report, April 6; letter, April 10). British Rail still favours these as giving an escape route when a vehicle is trapped between the closed gates.

In order to meet concern about vehicles trapped between full barriers, could not completely closing gates be placed at over a full vehicle's length away from the rails, thus providing a refuge on either side of the crossing?

Yours faithfully. PHILIP L HARTLEY, Fairbrook, Carlton, Saxmundham, Suffolk

Cromwell statue

From the Steward of Peterhouse Sir, In his article, "Raise a glass to the English revolution" (Saturday Review, April 4), Dr John Morrill claimed that a powerful myth about Cromwell was promoted in a statue of him "on horseback" outside the Palace of Westminster by the sculptor "Thorneycroft"

But the statue, by Hamo Thornycroft, is not equestrian, and has none of the triumphalism implied by Dr Morrill. Perhaps he was confusing it with the swaggering equestrian statue nearby of Richard Coeur-de-Lion by Baron Carlo Marochetti.

Yours faithfully. DAVID WATKIN, Peterhouse, Cambridge. April 7.

As time goes by From Mr Victor Launert

Sir. Charles Bremner himself falls victim to the Casablanca curse (New York Notebook, April 9). Bogart did not say, "Play it, Sam. Play As Time Goes By": those are Ingrid Bergman's words.

Maybe such problems don't amount to a hill of beans in this crazy world, but may I recommend that Mr Bremner watch this incomparable film once more. If he doesn't, he'll regret it; maybe not today, maybe not tomorrow, but soon, and for the rest of his life.

Yours faithfully, V. LAUNERT. 15 Halford Road, Richmond, Surrey. April 9.

blighting of innocent young lives from Zimbabwe drought

From the High Commissioner for

Sir, It is regrettable that in the face of impending human suffering and misery as a result of the drought, Jan Raath ("Mugabe defied on South Africa", April 3), instead of highlighting the serious problem, chooses to find fault with the government of Zimbabwe, as if it had any control over the situation.

The drought in southern Africa this year is severe, and its effects devastating. It has not spared any country in the region. It has forced all of us to rely on imports from overseas for our staple food needs. It is estimated that altogether our countries need to import over 10 million tonnes of maize. Zimbabwe's share is estimated at 1.7 million tonnes of maize and 340,000 tonnes

of wheat The importation of food on such a scale, naturally, has put enormous pressure on the road, rail and port facilities of South Africa and Mozambique, our only outlets to the sea. There is a danger that the whole

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system could be paralysed, resulting in delays in getting food to the people, if the whole exercise is not properly planned and co-ordinated. Under these circumstances each

country has had to set out clearly its priorities, and has followed this with meetings with government officials of Mozambique and South Africa. who carry the burden of ensuring that food leaves their ports for their destinations. On our part, consultations were

held and a decision taken to send the transport minister, Mr Dennis Norman, to meet his South African counterpart. For Jan Raath to claim that this decision by acting President Nkomo and the cabinet represented a rebuff of President Mugabe's policy on South Africa and his leadership generally is naive.

Contrary to Jan Raath's views, the Zimbabwe cabinet is not only firmly united in its policy towards South Africa but is equally determined to ensure that nothing will stand in the way of its immediate programme of getting food to its people, thereby preventing a disastrous food shortage. Yours sincerely.

S.C. CHIKETA Zimbabwe House. 429 Strand, WC2. April 9.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 13: The Rt Hon Kenneth Baker, MP had an audience of The Queen this afternoon, delivered up the Seals of Office, and took leave upon relinquishing his appointment as Secretary of State for the Home Department when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Member of the Order of Companions of Honour.

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The Rt Hon Peter Brooke, MP

had an audience of The Queen this afternoon, delivered up the Seals of Office and took leave upon relinquishing his appointment as Secretary of State for Northern Ireland when Her Majesty invested him with the Insig-nia of a Member of the Order of Companions of Honour.
The Rt Hon John Major, MP

(Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of The Queen this afternoon. The Queen held a Council at

five o'clock. There were present: the Rt Hon Antony Newton, MP, the Rt Hon Michael Heseltine, MP, the Rt Hon John Wakeham, the Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke, MP, the Rt Hon John MacGregor, MP, the Rt Hon Malcolm Rifkind, MP, the Rt Hon Str Patrick Mayhew, MP, the Rt Hon Michael Howard. MP, the Rt Hon David Mellor, MP. the Rt Hon William Waldegrave, MP, and the Rt Hon John Patten, MP.

Mrs Virginia Bottomley, MP, Mrs Gillian Shephard, MP and Mr Michael Portillo, MP were sworn in as Members of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy

Council.
The Rt Hon Antony Newton.
MP took the Oath of Office and kissed hands upon his appointment as Lord President of the Council.

The Rt Hon John Wakeham took the Oath of Office as Lord Privy Seal, kissed hands on his appointment and received the The following took the Oath of

Office, kissed hands on appoint-ment and received the Scals of Office: the Rt Hon Kenneth Clarke, MP (as Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Ri Hon Malcolm Rifkind, MP (as Secretary of State for Defence).

the Rt Hon John Patten, MP (as Secretary of State for Education and Science), the Rt Hon Gillian Shephard, MP (as Secretary of State for Employment), the Rt Hon Michael Howard, MP tas Secretary of State for the Environment), the Rt Hon Sir Patrick Mayhew, MP (as Secretary of State for Northern Ireland), the Rt Hon Michael Heseltine, MP (as Secretary of State for Trade and Industry), the Rt Hon John MacGregor (as Secretary of State for Transporti, the Rt Hon Virginia Bottomley, MP (as Secretary of State for Health) and the Rt Hon David Mellor, MP (as Secretary of State for National Heritagei.

After the Council the Rt Hon William Waldegrave, MP had an audience of The Queen, was sworn Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, kissed hands upon his appointment and received from Her Majesty the Seals of Office.

Mr Geoffrey de Deney (Clerk of the Council) and Mr Robert Bulling (Deputy Clerk of the Council) were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

April 13: The Princess of Wales Patron, this morning opened the Dinosaur Gallery at the Natural History Museum, South Ken-sington, London SW7. Wing Commander David Barton, RAF, was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 13: The Duke and Duches of Clouester were present this evening at a Performance given by the Bolshoi Ballet in aid of the Bud Flanagan Leukaemia Fund and the Children's Leukaemia Trust at the Dominion Theatre, Tottenham Court Road, London

Mrs Michael Wigley and Major Nicholas Barne were in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

April 13: The Duchess of Kent this afternoon visited Trinity House Hospice, Clapham SW4. Mrs Julian Tomkins was in

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE April 13: Princess Alexandra this afternoon visited HMS Broad-sword (Commander Nicholas Hudson, RN) in the Pool of

The Lady Mary Mumford and Rear Admiral Sir John Garnier were in amendance.

Memorial service

The Rev Lady Alison Sigwart-Patterson

A service of thanksgiving for the life of the Rev Lady Alison Stewart-Patterson was held yes-terday at Culross Abbey Church, Fife. The Rev Alison Norman and the Rev Francis Bruce officiated. The Earl of Elgin and the Hon David Bruce, brothers, read the lessons and the Hon James Bruce, brother, read from Bailoons Be-long to the Church by Ann Weems. The Rev Robert Hender-

son gave an address. During the service Mr Andrew Armstrong, Master of Music at Dunfermline Abbey, played Lady Allson's In the Morning in the

Luncheon

and Cheisea The Mayor of the Royal Borough

of Kensington and Chelsea. Councillor Mrs Frank Taylor. and the Mayoress, Miss Amelia-Jane Taylor, gave a luncheon in the Mayoral Suite at the Town Hall, Kensington, yesterday in honour of the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of London, Sir Brian and Lady Jenidos. The

Mr Alderman and Sherit' and Mis Neil Young, the Countess of Spocken, the Lord and Lady Farnham, the Lord and Lady Farnham, the Lord and Lady Farser of Kilmonack. The Hon Diana Makgill, Colonel and Alderman Sir Greville Spran, Dame Joden Varley, His Honour Judge Verney, Colonel M.M. Carnegle-Brown, Mrs Ste Crewe, Mr Marmaduke Hussey, Mr and Mrs Michael Illingworth, Mr and Mrs Peter Johnson, Mr Leopoid de Rothschild, Mr and Mrs Robert F. Shepherd, Falber John Fordham and Mr Roger Barker.

The Mayor of Kensington

guests were: Mr Alderman and Sheriff and Mrs Neil

The Earl of Chichester, 48: Miss Julie Christie, actress, 52: Vice-Admiral Sur Geoffrey Dalton, 61; Miss Susan Davies, photographer, 59: Earl Fortescue, 70: Sir John Gielgud, CH, actor, 88; Mr Gerry Gillman, trades unionist, 65; Mr Ivor Guest, ballet parines, 80: the ist, 65: Mr Ivor Guest, ballet writer, 72; Lord Hastings, 80: the Right Rev Dr David Hope, Bishop of London, 52: Mr Julian Lloyd Webber, cellist, 41: Miss LE.M. Mackie, former head mistress, City of London School for Girls, 66: Colonel Sir Robert Macrae, former Lord Lieutenant of Origina, 77: Barness Matham of Orkney, 77; Baroness Masham of Ilton, 57.

Birthdays

today

of Ihon, 57.

Mr P.G.A. Ramsay, former controller, BBC Scotland, 66; Dr J.M. Roberts, warden, Merton College, Oxford, 64; the Ven R.H. Roberts, former Chaplain of the Fieet, 61; Mr David Skipper, former headmaster, Merchant Taylors' School, 61; Mr Rod Steiger, actor, 67; Miss Elizabeth Symons, trades unionist, 41; Sir Peter Thompson, president, NFC, 64; Mr George Walker, former chief executive, Brent Walker chief executive, Brent Walker Group, 63: Baroness Warnock,

The British **Psychological** Society Dr Edgar Miller has been elected

President of the British Psychological Society for the ensuing year. Dr Michael Argyle, of Oxford University, has been elected an honorary fellow.



flew again yesterday at the last full reunion of the Royal Flying Corps, which became the Royal Air Force in

Thirteen men met at Netherayon airfield on Salisbury Plain to mark the 80th anniversary of the formation of the world's first air force. The airmen, an SE 5 biplane which flew in 1917, two replicas, and a Sopwith Pup that was twice shot down over the Somme. They were given flights in Army Air Corps helicopters over Netheravon. But there was keen disappointment that the wind was too strong to allow flights in the old biplanes.

"The trip in the helicopter was very enjoyable, but I think it would have been more exiting in the open cockpit of an SE 5," said Squadron Leader Gerald Dixon, of Worthing, Sussex. Squadron Leader Dixon (right) Is seen chatting with Charles Baker (left) and Ernest Tomkins in front of a Sopwith Pup.

New bid to protect Heveningham Hall

receivers acting on behalf of

the United Bank of Kuwait.

The cost of acquisition may

be £4 million or more, says the trust. "And the cost of

restoration and providing an endowment substantially

"The Suffolk Building

Preservation Trust's applica-

tion to the fund is made in the

expectation that the eventual

beneficiary of a successful

rescue package might be a charitable trust established

for the purpose or preferably

The Suffolk group supports

moves by the Heveningham

Action Group to save the

house but says it has decided

to make a separate and alter-

native approach in view or the imminent offer of the

property for sale by the

Ian Richardson, co-ordina-

tor of the action group, wel-

comed the new initiative. It

transfer the house to the

National Trust with a £10

the National Trust

FRESH moves are being made to save Heveningham Hall, the threatened mansion near Halesworth in Suffolk. which has become a major heritage headache for the government. The house is due to go on

the market shortly and the Suffolk Building Preservation Society is seeking help from Lord Rothschild, the new chairman of the National Heritage Memorial Fund. The trust says that Heveningham is one of the

pre-eminent Georgian country houses in Britain and the country's "number one heritage problem." Its exterior was designed by Sir Robert Taylor, George III's architect, its interiors by James Wyatt regarded as "unsurpassed in Europe," and it is set in an historic Capability Brown park.

But ever since the property was sold privately in 1981 by Michael Heseltine when environment secretary, the trust wants the Emir of Kuwait to says the house's history "has been a tragic catalogue of neglect, misfortunes and disasters."

The property is in the hands of Cork Gully, the million endowment as a memorial to British efforts in liberating Kuwait during the Gulf war.

Anniversaries BIRTHS: Ontellus, cartographer

of the first atlas, Antwerp, 1527; Christian Huygens, physicist, The Hague, 1629; William Henry Bentinck, 3rd Duke of Portland, Prime Minister 1783, 1807-09, Bulstrode, Bucks, 1738; Peter Behrens, architect, Hamburg,

DEATHS: Richard Neville, Earl of Warwick (the Kingmaker), killed at the Battle of Barnet. 1471; George Frederic Handel, composer, 1759; William Whitehead, Poet Laurente 1757-85, London, 1785; L. L. Zamenhot. creator of Esperanto, the univer-sal language, 1917; Louis Sulli-van, architect, Chicago, 1924; Vladimir Mayakovsky, poet and dramatist, committed suicide, Moscow, 1930; Ernest Bevin, trades unionist, Foreign Secretary 1945-51, London, 1951; Frederic March, actor, Los Angeles, 1975; Simone de Beauvoir, writer,

Abraham Lincoln, 16th American President, was shot by John Wilks Booth in Washington; he died the following day, 1865.

New recorders

The following to be recorders, assigned to the North Eastern Circuit: Mr Clive Owen John Behrens, Mr

Mr Patrick Joseph Cosgrove, Mr Michael Teape Fugard, Mr Ar-thur John Healey, Mr William Timothy John Hirst, Mr Chris-topher John Holland, QC, Mr Aldan Stephen Marron, Mr John

Forthcoming marriages

Dr S.M. Bonner

PETER TRIEVNOR

and Miss M-A. Jenkins The engagement is announced between Dr Stephen Michael Bonner, of Durham, and Miss Mary-Anne Jenkins, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs Jonathan Jenkins, of Sevenoaks. Kent

Mr S A. Carter and Miss A.M. Gorman

The engagement is announced between Stephen Andrew. younger son of Mr and Mrs G.R. Carter. Edinburgh, and Anna Maria, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Gorman, Melbourne.

Mr W. Farmer and Miss F.J. Dawson

The engagement is announced between William, eldest son of Mr John Farmer, of Rochampton Vale, and of Mrs Julia Farmer, of Barnes, and Fiona, daughter of Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs Reginald Dawson, of Battle. East

My J.J. Hopton and Mrs V.A. Anderson

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr and Mrs James Hooton, of Tenterden, Kent. and Victoria, younger daughter of the late Henry Hildyard and of Mrs Hildyard, of Witchampton. Dorset.

Mr G.L. Paxton and Mrs K. Poziomek Mann The engagement is announced between Graham, third son of Major and Mrs Michael Paxion.
of Caversham, Bertshire, and
Karen, eldest daughter of Dr and
Mrs Edward J. Poziomek, of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Norfolk, Virginia, USA. The marriage will take place in New York on May 2, 1992. HRH Prince Paul of Roomania and Miss T. Papathanassion The engagement is announced between HRH Prince Paul of

Roumania eldest son of HRH Prince Carol of Roumania and Mme Heiene Nagavirine Rainer, of Lausanne, Switterland, and Themis Papathanassion. voungest daughter of Dr and Mrs Photion S Papathanassion, of Athens, Greece.

Mr R.E. Pearce and Miss S.F.J. Nash

The engagement is announced between Ruper, eidest son of Mr and Mrs R G-A Pearce, of Femhill Heath House, Worcester. and Sarah, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs J F Nash, of the Manor House, Burton Latimer,

Mr D.A. Sinyard and Miss M.L. Dunsmure

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr B G Sinyard and Mrs E.I Farker, and Miranda, daughter of Colonel James Dunsmure and Mrs Sarah Dunsmure

Mr C.L. Stopford Sackville and Miss S. McKinney

The engagement is announced Charles, eldest son between Charles, class son of Mr Lionel Stopford Sacicville. of Drayton House. North-amptonshire and Mrs Timothy Rathbone, of Ripe, Sussex, and Shona, youngest daughter of Mrs Philip Haran, of Cadogan Gardens, London, and the late Donald McKinney, CBE, of Nassau, Bahamas.

Harry Oram

A service of thanksaiving for Harry Oram will be held at St Mary Le Bow, Cheapside, ECZ, on Friday, June 5, at 11am

Dartmouth parade

The Queen was represented by the Duke of Edinburgh who took the salute at the Lord High Admiral's Divisions, Britannia Royal Naval College Dartmouth,

Royal Naval College Dartmouth, on April 10.

The following officers were awarded prizes for 1991: Queen's sword: Sub Lieutenant A. P. Baker, RN: Queen's prizes: Lieutenant S. P. Page, RN: Midshipman S. W. Benn, RN: Sub Lieutenant P. M. Markham, WRNS; Sub Lieutenant A. C. Cole, RN: Sub Lieutenant S. P. Cole, RN; Sub Lieutenant S. P. Huntingdon, RN; Midshipman C. N. Tere, RN; Admiralty prize: Midshipman Syed Fawad Bokharl (Pakistan). General List

Acting Sub Lieutemants: G M Adlam; D A Besselt; J J Biscic A J Bower; M Errorn: P J Brown; C J Burton: C J Colley: B L Darling: R J Domovan: S G Goodrich: J F Groenaere: 5: f Stallett: F J Hally: S A Hund: S D Electing: S M Hopper; S W Horion: S A Lambard: D Mackimon: R H Morgon: C S Nelson: D J Norgan: M L Cysullivan: M J Rand; G B Richards; T J Richardson: S J Ryan; W M Scott: R C Shochridge: J M. Swith: R V Stoney: C D Thomson: T Preday; R M Tribs: C N Williams: A J Wrigh.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOSEYNE-AERAHALL - On April 11th. peacefully. Awdrey 8.E.M. "Tiny" beloved wife of the late John. Muchr loved mother of Harrier. Luchda. Amanda and John. and very dear grandmother. Funeral at Chichester Gathedral April 21st. 11.30 am. (amily burial at Apuldram Family flowers only. donations to Apuldram Church Fund or Chichester Cathedral Restoration Fund. c/o Edward White and Son. 5 South Pallant. Chichester. Sussex POJ? 19Y A very special lady.

MASTER - On April 8th, suddenly and peacefully. Chandra, much loved husband of Jean and beloved failher of Kiran Rohan and Rosanna. Enquiries to Ellements of Bridge Street. Pinner, Middlesex.

law Robert and grandmother of Duncan and Catherine. Funersi Service Si Michael's Church. Torrington. on Thursday April 16th all 1.45pm. followed by cremation, Family flowers only but if desired donations in her memory to The League of Friends. Torrington Cottage Hospital. may be sent to Datforn & Son. 72 New Street. Torrington. Cottage Hospital. may be sent to Datforn & Son. 72 New Street. Torrington. Derek Cordon. aged 51 Orealty loved husband of Jili and father of Stranne. grandfather at the original plane. grandfather. Funeral Service at City of London Crematorium. Tuesday April 14th at 11.40 and grandfather. Funeral Service at City of London Crematorium. Tuesday April 14th at 11.40 and grandfather. grandf

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Hilary, daughter of Fred and
Alice and brother of Derek.
Cremation on April 16th. Ne
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Remembered always with great love and gratitude Barbara and family.

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Wall for the Lord: be strong and brave, and put your hope in the Lord. Pailm 27 , 14 BIRTHS BIRTHS

ANDREW - On April 2nd. lo lers! and Nicholae, a daughter. Offsia Rose, a dater for Venella April 7th 1992, to Clare unce | Battholomews and Mark, a BAXTER - On Friday April 10th. to Lurinda Inee Blacklerk and Robin, a son. Adam a brother for Hamish

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BRUME - On April 11th, at the Humana Hospital Wellington, to Fred and Elizabeth, a son Joshua CHANRAL - On April Lon. at

the Himana Hospital Wellington, to Lala and Ravi, a daughter. Supriva CHAPMAN - On April 12th, at Epoom District Hospital, to Louise Marton, one Shove and Andrew Charles, a son, Jonalman Robert Scott a larging for Alexandra lagistic Bloye CRICHTON - On April 12th 44 CRICHTON - On April 12th at Salfshury in Flora and Simon, a son, Charles Patrick Vesey, a brother for Goorgina and Edward. Georgina and Edward.

DAW - On March 31st 1992

Tonathan, a to Gillian and Jonathan. a son, Samuel Henry.

DEMAINE - On April 9th, 10 Ann. (net Millward) and Andy, a daughter, Lucy Emma.

DORMOR - On April 9th. 10
Catherine (nee Robertson)
and Dulkan. a beautiful
daughter Hannah Ruth
EVERALL - On April 20th. 10
Anne (nee Walson) and
families and friends

FONTES - On April 12th, to Fiona once Pattinson; and Simon, a daughter, Sophic Katharine. GRIGG - On March 25th, lo Graciella and Alexander a daughter. Claudia Maria

HEWETT - On March 21st, at West Suffolk Hospital, Bury SI Edmunds, to Sarah Inee Kinosi and Christopher, a son, James Christopher, JOCKELSON - On April 8th. Philip and Alexander
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Gordon a daughter.
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for Max

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SNELSON - On April 11th, in Cambridge, to Calherine thee Bennetti and Andrew, a daughter, Lucy Ann SLAND - On April 10th 1992. at The Portland Hospital, to STARR - On April 19th, to Sarah and lan, a son, Christopher, a brother for Catherine and Laura.

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ANNIVERSARIES EVANS:McKENZIE - On April 14th 1942, al Si George's Church, Barbados, by the Bishop of Barbados, Lionel James Carlyon to Bervi Eulalie

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FINDLAY - On April 10th, to Anne wee Watsont and Richard FANTHORPE - On April 9th, to Marion and David, a son, Nicholas James.

FINDLAY - On April 10th, to Caroline mee Rowson and Charles a son, Christopher tohn

FONTES - On April 12th, to Fiona mee Pallinson and Simon, a daughter, Sophie BARHAM - On April 9th.

BARMAM - On April 9th, pacefully at home after many months of gradual decline. Peggy, aged 85 years, dearest mother, granny and great-granny. Family cremation Service of Thanksgiving to be held at Rolvenden Parish Church, Kent, on Tuesday April 21st at 3 pm No flowers but donations if wished to The National Trust c/o Scoiney Casile, Lamberhurst, Kent d'ANYERS WILLIS - On Corrion a daughter.
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HADFIELD - On April 8th. In the Cardso Vascular Unit.
John Redctiffe Hospital.
Oxford, after an epic struggle. Esmé Hixelock Hadfield M.A., F.R.C.S., Ialely Consultant E.N.T.
Surgeon of Lane End. High wycombe and Oxford, a gradity foved sister, aunt and great-aunt. Friend and Champlon of many. Funeral Service for [amily and friends at \$1 Hugh's College Chapel at 11 am on April 25th Family flowers only be smess' special with, Donaltons to Mr Stephen Westaby's Research Fund, John Redctitte Hospital. Headington. Oxford Ox5.
9DU A Service of Thanksgiving for her life and work will be held at 11.30 am on May 9th 1992 at 5t Margaret's Church, Oxford.
HEARN - On April 12th, at the Sons 1071-387 80751.

BROWN - On April 11th 1992
Norah Lilian Lynn aged 80
years, of Brockenhursi,
formerly of Calculta, dearly
loved wife of Ted Funeral
Service at Bournemouth Crematorium on Thursday April
16th at 1.15 pm followed by
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sent to the Anthony Notan
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Royal Free Hospital, Pond
Street, Hampslead, London
NWS 200

COTTLE - On April 9th. peacefully in Bromley Hospi-lat after a brief tilness. John Reginald, husband to the late Reginald, husband to the late and much loved Pauline father to Hitary and Bill and grandfather to Alison and philippa and Anna Funeral Service at Christ Chapel of Alleyns College of God's Gft. Dulwich, on Thursday April 16ih at 1 45 pm. followed by cremation at Beckenham Crematorium.

CUTTS - On April 9th 1992 peacefully at Gloucester House Nursing Home. Sevenoalts. hent. Leonard aged 87 years husband of the late Wintfred Mary Stanford. Funeral Service at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on Tuesday April 21st at 11 am. No flowers by request but donations of desired to The Royal Surgical Aid Society c/o W Hodges F/D (0732) 454467

DARGIE - On April 11th, at the Kent and Sussex Hospital, William Kenneth, aged 75. Loving husband of Margaret, dearest father of Charles and Latinia and grandfather of Tomoto. Flavia and Marina. Private cremation, no Rowers by his request. Donations in remembrance to The Heathfield Village Institute (76 E.R. Hickmott & Son. 41 Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells.

HANNING - On April 13th
1992. peacefully at home.
Arthur Salwey, beloved
father and grandfather, aped
92 years. Funoral at
Hermitage at 1 pm on Easter
Salurday April 18th. Flow
ers to R. Burgess & Sons.
Sunnymount, Hampstead
Norreys Road, Hermitage.

HERRINGTON - On Paim Sunday, April 12th 1992, with great peare and dignily at St. Barnabas Hospice. Uncoin. Circly Mary Wife of the late Revd. Henry George Herrington. Reception into Our Lady of Lincoin Church on Tuesday April 14th at 7.30pm. Mass of The Resurrection on Wednesday at 30pm. followed by histernent Donations to St. Barnabas Hospice. 36 Neitleham Road. Lincoin. preferred instead of flowers. Enquiries to Priestley & Coxlett. let' 10522; 520666 Hill. On April 12th, at Both Royal Unified Hospital. Pam. dearly beloved wife of Johnmother of Serena and Mark and grandmother of Leona and Alexander. Funeral Service at 2 pm on Saturday. MASTER - On April 8th.

mother of Serena and Mark and grandmother of Leona and Alexander. Funeral Service at 2 pm on Saturday April 18th at 51 Michael's Caurch. Compton Martlin Flowers or donations if desired to R.N.L.1 c/o Michael W Rowe Funeral Director. Tunbridge Collage. Chew Magna, Avon, 1el. 102761 332565

BATES - On April 1 th 1992.
peacefully in hospital after a short littees. Maureen Anne aged 76. of Kentish Town and formerly of Crowthorne, mother in-law and grandmother. Beautiem Mass at Our Lady Heigh of Christians of Elbashirit, described father of Sue and Jim, dearest and grandmother. Requirem Mass at Our Lady Heigh of Christians Church. Lady Margaret Road, NWS. at 10am on Wednesday April 22nd followed by cremation at Easthampstead Park, Berist, at 12 30pm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Service at Randalls Park Dearter of Duncan and Calherine. Devon. Much loved wife of International Calmerthead Stational at 2 30 pm Tuesday April 22nd followed by cremation at Easthampstead Park, Berist, at 12 30pm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Service at Machinhampton 2 and Friday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Service at Machinhampton 2 and Friday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On Friday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On April 21st Sopm. Machine 2 2 3 pm Tuesday Sopm. Thursday April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On April 21st Sopm. Family flowers only please. On April 21st Sopm. Machine 2 2 3 pm Tuesday Sopm. Sopm. Thursday April 21st Sopm. Sopm. S

REID - On April 13th, Hesham), Iveson Road, pacefully in hospital, aged 79 years, Kenneth Stockdate Emeritus Professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies. Dearty loved husband of Marjorie, Service to be held at Hexham Abbey on Thursday April 16th at 1.30 pm. followed by interment at Hexham Cemelery, Friends please meet at Hexham Abbey.

SANT - On April 11th 1992, peacefully at Highfields Residential Home. Saffron Walden, after a short litness. Margaret Eva. sadly missed by her family and many friends. Funeral Service at Cambridge City Crematorium on Thursday April 16th at 12.30 pm Family flowers only, donallons if desired for Arkesden Church may be sent c/o H Peasgood and Son. 62 Gold Street. Saffron Walden. Essex. A Memorial Service will be held at Arkesden Church on April 27th at 11 am for which flowers may be given to decorate the church.

SMALLWOOD - On April SMALLWOOD - On April 11th. at Princes Risborough. 11th. at Princes Risborough. Bucks. Lady Frances Jeannedearly beloved wife and lifetone companion of Air Chief Marshal Sir Denis Graham Smallwood and mother of Christopher and Johanna. Service at 81 Dunstan's Church. Monks Risborough. on Thursday April 16th at 3.45pm followed by cremation at the Amersham Crematorium. Family

STREET - On April 11th, unexpectedly after an operation. Eric Edmund Crimsley, dearly loved husband of Elsie respected and loved by lince generations of nephews and neces. A man who improved the quality of life of all who knew him. Family flowers only for a close family funeral and please, no letters.

WELLINGTON - On April 7th
1992, after a long and
courseous balile with
illness, Wing Commander
R.A. (Tony) Wellington
D.S.O., O.B.E., D.F.C.
Deeply repretted, Letters to
Rus Roberto Dias Lopes
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IN MEMORIAM -

BANTOCK - Ted. April 14th 1986. "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die". BURNS - Bobby (December) BURNS - Bobby (December, 1984) and Dolly (14 April, 1985). Hospitable hosis, generous friends and liberal benefactors: saven years on remembered as a flickering remembered a a dickering GARNAWAY - Derek. Time passes but you are never forgotten. Maureen & family. HOLDER - Professor Doubles FRS, 14/4/23 - 18/4/77. Remembered always with

Served with The Middlesex Regiment (DCO) and a true Diehated PIGOTT - On April 9th. Instant of Elsie respected and love by lirres general pacefully at Westminster Hospital. Alix. for nearty fifty years beloved wife of Stanley, devoked mother of Tim and grandmother of Michael and Rachel. Funeral Service 11 am Thursday April 23rd at \$1 Stephen's Church. Rochester Rows. SW1. (oillowed by private cremation. No flowers please but any gift in her memory to Poortasis Association. 7 Poortasis Association. 8 Professor of Immunology (Inchardos and panache Much loved husband of Wendy and father of Tim. Funeral 3 15pm Tuesday April 21st at West London Crematorium. Harrow Road, W1O No flowers but dona tions to Trinity Hospita. 3 Churchill Hospital. Oxford. A Memorial Service will be held later.

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OBITUARIES

DANIEL BOVET

Daniel Bovet, an Italian physiologist who won a Nobel Prize in 1957, died оп April 8 aged 85. He was born on March 23, 1907.

DANIEL Bovet was involved in three of the most important drug developments of the twentieth century. As a young researcher at the Pasteur Institute in Paris in the 1930s he explained the functioning of Prontosil, the first of the anti-bacterial drugs. Later he discovered the anti-histamines as treatments for allergic reactions, and pioneered the use of curare as a musclerelaxant in surgery.

Bovet was born in Neuchâ-tel. Switzerland, the son of an educational psychologist. He studied zoology and was awarded his doctorate at the University of Geneva in 1929. At the Pasteur Institute he followed up the discovery of the German biochemist



Gerhard Domagk that a synthetic dye called Prontosil had remarkable effects against streptococcus infections in mice. Domagk proved its effectiveness in the most dramatic way possible by injecting the dye into his young daughter Hildegarde to save her life after she had become infected by the prick

of a needle. Curiously, while the dye would kill streptococci in the body, it had no effect on the same bugs in the test tube. Bovet concluded that Prontosil must be being transformed into some other substance in the body, proba-

Christopher Priday, OC,

26 aged 65. He was born

on August 7, 1926.

CHRISTOPHER Priday be-

came an authority in the field

of agricultural land law, on

which he published and lec-

his influence on both the legal and the surveyor's professions extended remarkably. He was

one of the principal negotia-tors on behalf of the Bar when

the Bar Council agreed with

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From 1989 until this year

he was chairman of the direct

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and University College, Ox-

ford, Priday served a stern

apprenticeship as junior to

Harold Heathcote Williams

in editing Foa's Law of Land-

lord & Tenant, the classic

textbook of its day. This

After education at Radley

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After he took Silk in 1986

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bly by the disintegration of its molecule. By mirnicking the process outside the body he was able to show that the active component was sulfanilamide, synthesised at the Pasteur Institute in 1936. This was the first of the "wonder drugs" that have since transformed the treatment of bacterial infections.

In 1937 Bovet began work on compounds to control some of the symptoms of allergic conditions such as hay fever. Knowing that allergic reactions in the body release a compound called histamine, Bovet searched for drugs that would block its effect. His plan was a brilliant success and gave rise to a series of anti-histamine drugs which, while not curing allergies. make their symptoms considerably more bearable.

in 1947 Bovet was offered the post of head of the department of pharmacology at the Istituto Superiore di Sanita in Rome, where he worked with his wife, Filomena Nitti. There he studied curare, the poison used by South American Indians to coat the tips of their arrows and beloved of the writers of whodunnits. The effect of curare is to paralyse the muscles, including that of the heart, which is why it is so effective. With suitable modification and in the right doses, Bovet showed that it could be used simply to relax the muscles without killing, in which form it proved useful in surgical operations. For his work on anti-histamines and curare, Bovet was awarded the 1957 Nobel Prize for medicine and

physiology. Later he studied the learning process in mice, breeding strains that responded to tests in different ways and then using them to measure the effects of drugs, foods and conditioning. By returning to behavioural studies his life came full circle: his father had been a psychologist, and as a student he swore that he would do anything but psy-chology. "But the facts were too strong" he admitted with

a laugh. Bovet is survived by a widow and a son.

landlord and tenant cham-

and on the Central Associ-

ation of Agricultural Valuers,

and he was an active member

of the Agricultural Law As-

associate of the Royal Institu-

tion of Chartered Surveyors

and an honorary fellow of the

Central Association of Agri-

cultural Valuers (each of them

a rare honour for a lawyer).

He became a Bencher of

Gray's Inn in 1989; and chairman of the Bar accom-

modation committee in

of his sudden death in

harmonising the estates poli-

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and at the same time in meet-

ing the Bar's demands -

wholly foreseeable in the light

of current disputes with the

Lord Chancellor about fees -

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of integrity, with rock-solid

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Priday was a likeable man

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He was engaged at the time

He was made an honorary

sociation.

CHRISTOPHER

PRIDAY

PROFESSOR HYWEL LEWIS

Hywel David Lewis, professor of the History and Philosophy of Religion in the University of London, died on April 6 aged 81. He was born on May 21 1910.

IT IS debatable whether philosophy and religion be friends or foes, but for Hywel D. Lewis there was no doubt that they should be mutually supportive. Scepticism about that view can be found in both theological and philosophical camps, but Lewis remained staunch in his defence of it and untiring in his efforts to explore its ramifications. His voluminous contributions to academic discussion in this area over many years earned him an enviable international

Not that he lacked other interests. He worked enthusiastically to help the present Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos defeat Lady Megan Lloyd George to capture the Anglesey seat for Labour in 1951. Indeed, his first publications, Gweriniaeth (Democracy, 1940) and (with Dr J. A. Thomas) Y Wladwriaeth a'i Hawdurdod (The State and its Authority, 1943), investi-gated, in Welsh, the concepts of democracy, state and authority.
After what he used to

describe as undistinguished progress at school in Caernarfon Lewis went to the Univer-sity College of North Wales, Bangor, where he developed a consuming interest in phi-losophy. While there he came under the lasting influence of the teaching of C. A. Camp-bell, and after a further perlod of study in Oxford, he returned as a popular and stimulating lecturer in the department of philosophy at Bangor, where he also be-came professor in 1947. He left in 1955 to take the chair of history and philosophy of religion at King's College, London, a position which he



His Morals and the New Theology (1947) is a tren-chant attack on Barthlan the-(1978). ology according to which sinful man is utterly Incapable of apprehending a transcendent divinity and is entirely dependent on divine revelation for any knowledge of god. As the title of his later work, Our Experience of God

(1959) would indicate, Lewis held that consciousness of the divine is rooted in experience and can be elicited by rational reflection on aesthetic and moral considerations. Later, his interest came to centre especially on problems about the nature of the subject of experience — the self of whose immortality he was deeply convinced. The relevant philosophical and theological issues are vigorously argued in his books, The Self and

Immortality (1973) and Persons and Life after Death

Lewis's work rapidly ac-quired world-wide recogni-tion, as evidenced by his many visiting professorships both in America and at universities in the eastern hemisphere. Nearer home, he was chosen to give the Wilde Lectures at Oxford, and the prestigious Gifford Lectures at St Andrews. Moreover, he founded, and for many years edited, the very successful journal, Religious Studies. And as though this were not enough for a man of his slender bodily stature, Lewis also served as president of several academic bodies such as the Oxford Society for Historical Theology, the London Society for the Study of Religion and the International Society for Metaphysics.

ous on the philosophical front, being editor of the Muirhead Library of Philosophy (1947-78), Contemporary British Philosophy, Vol III (1956), Vol IV (1976), and Clarity is not Enough (1962). Though critical of some aspects of his idealist background, he was even more rigorously opposed to the logical empiricist developments which swept the Western philosophical scene under the influence of Russell, Wittgenstein and Quine among others. Lewis fearlessly defended the dualism of mind and body against the strong materialist currents of the day in The Elusive Mind (1969) and elsewhere. He argued for an objectivist view of ethics in his Morals and Revelation (1951), a view which he linked with an anti-determinist emphasis on free will. He was duly honoured in philosophical circles, being president of the Mind Association (1948-49), of the Aristotelian Society (1962-63), and chairman of the council of the Royal Institute of Philosophy (1965-88). Lewis wrote and lectured

Lewis was equally industri-

extensively in his mother tongue — Diogelu Divylliant (The Defence of Culture, 1945), Gwybod am Dduw (Knowing about God, 1952), and Pwy yw Crist? (Who is Christ?, 1979) being but a sample of his Weish publications. He served on several public and academic bodies n Wales.

As a philosopher Lewis thrived on opposition; he was immovable on matters of conviction. On academic councils and committees in the University of Wales he could be fiercely combative in pursuing his aims. He would be the last to lose a cause without a fight.
He is survived by his wife.

Megan, whom he married in 1965, having lost his first wife, also named Megan, three years earlier.

LEUEEN MacGRATH

Leueen MacGrath, stage actress, died in London on March 27 aged 77. She was born in London on July 3, 1914.

FOR Leueen MacGrath the stage always took precedence over the screen. She appeared in only a handful of films, her most important role being in the indifferent Edward, My Son, the film version of one her greatest stage successes in the play cowritten by Robert Morley. A small part much earlier in the much more impressive Pygmalion was the only other notable screen appearance. But whether London took precedence over Broadway is a much more debatable matter. Her career, which ran from the early 1930s until the mid 1970s was split about equally between the two.

Leueen Macgrath's training was entirely British. She was the daughter of a military family and took the familiar route to the stage via RADA, where one of her contemporaries was the director Frith Banbury. She appeared in a number of modest pre-war West End plays before coming to more general notice in Terence Rattigan's early com-edy French Without Tears. She was not in the original cast, but took over the part of Jacqueline from Jessica Tandy during the run. This was the start of a link with Rattigan. She was again brought in during the run of the wartime drama Flare Path. Much later Rattigan remembered her when he

wrote Bequest to the Nation (1970) and cast her as Lady Nelson. The American playwright and director George S. Kaufman was the third and by far

the most distinguished and

influential of her five hus-

bands. He first directed her in a now forgotten play by Jean Giraudoux. The Enchanted (1951). It scarcely seemed natural material for the witty Kaufman and could not be described as a roaring success on Broadway. But the MacGrath-Kaufman partnership flourished both on and off stage. Together they wrote a couple of modest comedies, one of which was Fancy Meeting You Again and, more importantly, they combined on the libretto for the musical Silk Stockings (based on the Lubitsch-Garbo movie Ninotschka), although Abe Burrows was brought in to apply the finishing

Leueen MacGrath made her return to the West End in June 1955 in another Giraudoux play. La Guerre de Troie n'aura pas lieu, which ran under the less imaginative English title of Tiger at the Gates. It was a starring vehicle for Michael Redgrave as Hector, but MacGrath made a powerful impression as Cassandra, a role she repeated on Broadway.

Her last major West End appearance was in John Mortimer's memoir of his blind barrister parent, A Voyage Round My Father, with Alec Guinness in the lead.

Practically all Leucen MacGrath's work had been done in contemporary plays - the world outside France was only just discovering Giraudoux in the 1950s. But on her return to New York she found a new interest in the theatre of Ibsen and Chekhov. There were notable performances in The Cherry Orchard and as Mrs Alving in Ghosts. But her taste for acting was fading and she preferred to spend her seventies entertaining her friends and being entertained.



EDWARD SMOUHA

Wing-Commander Edward Ralph Smouha, OBE, died at his home in Geneva on April 1 aged 83. He was born in Manchester on December 17, 1908.

IN ALEXANDRIA, Ralph Smouha's grounding, allied to his perdistrict, is a living reminder of what he steady growth in his practice to 1985, when he was elected helped to achieve there. His father, head of the country's leading Joseph, his brother, Ellis, and he created a garden city - Welwyn was their model - from marshland in the outskirts of Priday served on many what then, with its splendid seafront and committees of the Royal Instisandy beaches, was still the pearl of the tution of Chartered Surveyors

eastern Mediterranean. In 1892, Joseph Smouha, a young Sephardi Jew, came from Baghdad to Manchester where he soon established himself as a highly successful conton broker. On the outbreak of the first world war he closed his office to become a government financial adviser, later being sent in that capacity to the British embassy in Cairo. In 1919 his wife and

four of his six children followed him. One day, arriving by train in Alexandria, he noticed how the city's growing Sidi Gaber locality was sandwiched between the sea and marshes. This, he found, was because a dyke holding back the waters of a lake had been demolished to flood lower adjoining land during the 1801 battle in which British forces defeated the French.

On investigating, Joseph Smouha be-came convinced that the area, a mere mile or so from the city centre, could be drained. Leaving government service, he stayed on in Egypt and bought up much of the marsh and adjoining land. On paper at least, Smouha City was born. Teddy, then 21, joined the family enterprise in 1929 after qualifying as a barrister-at-law at Lincoln's Inn. At Cambridge (Magdalene), he had distinguished himself in athletics as Britain's

youngest Olympic medallist in the



4 X 100-metre relay team that gained a bronze in the 1928 Amsterdam

A natural linguist, he took easily to Alexandrian life with its then cosmopolitan mix of races and religions. He ensured that plans for the reclaimed land included, apart from large residential and light industry areas, racing and golf courses, tennis courts and a sports

With three years in the university OTC and subsequent flying experience, he was called up in September 1939 while holidaying with his family in Derbyshire. They drove across France almost non-stop to catch a ship for Alexandria. Posted to RAF headquarters in Cairo as an acting pilot officer on probation, he was a wing commander in Transport Command before the end of 1942. On being demobilised in 1946, he rejoined his aging father in developing Smouha A decade later, he was recalled to

active service during the Suez crisis and assigned to Cyprus. The Smouha family left Egypt just before the invasion and did not return; their property was sequescompensation from President Nasser's government was due to Joseph Smouha having insisted on paying a fair price, and obtaining proper legal title, for marshland regarded as worthless by the city authorities. They had told him he could have it "for almost nothing", an offer he had prudently refused. Because of lingering local apprecia-

tion, the name Smouha - without "city" survived the storm of post-Suez anger when so many places were stripped of their earlier names, such as Mohammed Aly Square (now Al-Tahrir), Allenby (Kafr Abdoh), Granville (Al-Mal-ab) While the racecourse and sports club remain, much of Smouha has long since been given over to low-cost flats in efforts to house a soaring population.

In 1957 the family established itself in Geneva where Teddy Smouha went, appropriately, into land development. Retiring in 1983, he thereafter gave his full energies to the Swiss branch of the RAF Association, whose president he had been for several years, and to various charities, to whom he was a discreet benefactor. His interventions at meetings were to the point; he knew what he wanted and often got it. The Swiss branch of the association, with fewer than 200 members, consistently contrib-

uted more than most. Teddy Smouha's greatest pleasure was family holidays. He went caravanning in Ireland and Scotland and last summer he was again in the sea on the west coast. He leaves a widow, Yvonne, nee Ades, two sons (the younger, Brian, at present the BCCI liquidator) and a daughter.

April 14 ON THIS DAY

1900

Between 1899 and 1900 the

Australian public subscribed to equip nearly 4,000 men and over 6,000 horses for Citizens' Bushmen to serve in regiment called the Imperial Bushmen was formed.

AUSTRALIA

From Our New South Wales Correspondent SYDNEY, March 6: Our 500 Bushmen embarked last Wednesday. The day was cloudy and dull and that somewhat kept down the crowd in the streets, but there was no lack of popular enthusiasm, and the men had as hearty a

send-off as they could possibly There was no mistaking the general feeling. This is not a party movement or a class movement. There is a general recognition of the fact that the mother country has been forced into a fight to hold her own, and Australia backs her up. A great deal too has been due to the fact that the men whom we have already sent to the front have done well and

shown their special fitness for the outpost duty to which they have been mostly appointed. When the first lot were offered the remark was frequently heard that they were not wanted in Africa for any real help that they could give. but for the moral influence that the co-operation of the colonies would furnish. Now that remark is heard no longer since it has been found that our mounted men are adapted for the special function and that more of them would be

is admittedly to some extent an experiment. All the men we have previously sent have had some training as soldiers, and though not up to the European standard had learnt something of the rudiments of their protion. It is not pretended that proper sense of the word soldiers, thought it is quite expected that they will prove useful adjuncts to the Regular Army. They have not been drawn from our military force at all, and they have only had ad very short drill, but they are good riders and fair average They have an eye for country, they can take their landmarks

they can take their landmarks as they go, they will not lose themselves, or get afraid of doing so, if they should happen to be left alone. They are patient of fatigue, can spend all day in the saddle, camp out at night, and at a pinch subsist on rough diet and a minimum owance even of that. From the accounts that have come to us, meagre as they are in details, it is clear that if our generals had had such a force at their disposal from the very beginning of the war they might have been better in-formed and have saved some erses and many lives. Since this Bushmen's

Contingent embarked our Government has received a fresh request for more men, and it is not anticipated that there will be any difficulty in supplying them. Of the men who failed to pass the severe riding and shooting tests more than 300 have remained in the camp, where they have been undergoing steady drill.
If it had been known from

the first that the men whom we sent as infantry were likely to be required to act as a mounted corps we should have taken pains to send only men who could ride, but the instructions were so positive that infantry was the force that would be the most suitable that the riding capabilities of the men were not taken into consideration at all, and it is not every Australian who has been accustomed to horses from childhood. The demand for men of special bush experience is one we have been able to meet by reason of our widely extended pastoral enterprise, and we can send away a thousand men without in the slightest degree intrenching on our regular

defence force.

Forces' appointments

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Rotary Club of London

The Lord Mayor of Westminster unveiled the new Rotary Club of London plaque yesterday at the London Marriott Hotel. The Bulgarian Ambassador, Mr Ken Standish, president of the club, Mr Neville Shulman, vice-president, Mr Peter Werth. Mr Kurt Oppenheim, Mr Paul Winner and Mr Henry Davis, general manager of the hotel, were

Today's royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will visit the Queen Alexandra Hospital Home, Gifford House, Worthing, at 3.00. The Duke of York, as president,

will present the Royal Aero Club medals and awards at the Lansdowne Club at 6.30; and will present the 1992 Young Electronic Designer Awards at the Science Museum at 8.00. Princess Margaret will dine at Lincoln's Inn at 7.15 with the Treasurer and past Treaurers. The Duke of Gloucester will open the Castles in Northamptonshire exhibition in Rockingham at noon; will visit the Sue Ryder Home, Thorpe Hall, Peterborough, at 2.55; will visit the Cancer Research Campaign Shop, Peterborough, at 4.00; and, with the Duchess of Gloucester, will attend the Consular Corps of London's annual dinner at the

7.50. Princess Alexandra will visit the Burrell Collection at 1.30; will open the new veterinary centre of the PDSA at Muiryfauld Drive. Glasgow, at 2.30; and will attend a reception given by the Scottish Council of Sight Savers (Royal Commonwealth Society for the Blind) at the City Chambers at

Hyatt Carlton Tower hotel at

Church news

Appointments The Rev Michael Welch. Vicar, St Barnabas, Swanmore, and Rural Dean of Bishop's Waltham: to be also an Honorary Canon of Portsmouth Cathedral (Portsmouth). The Rev Paul White, Rector, Christ Church. Queanbeyan,

Canberra and Golbura, Austra-lia: to be Vicar, St Matthew's, Redhill (Southwark). The Rev Paul Wilkinson, Vicar,

Potterne w. Worton and Marston: to be also part-time Chaplain. Roundway Hospital, Devizes The Rev Canon John Wilson, Vicar, Ormesby w. Scratby: to be

a Canon Emeritus of Norwich Cathedral (Norwich). The Rev Alan Woods. Vicar, Caine and Blackland, and Rural Dean of Calne: to be also a nonresidentiary Canon of Salisbury

Cathedral (Salisbury).

Resignations and retirements The Rev Christopher Parsons, Priest-in-charge. St Enoder (Truro): to retire as from 31 May. The Rev Anne Quilliam, Assistant Minister, St Philemon, Toxteth (Liverpool): 10 retire as from 30

The Rev Canon Douglas Snelgar, Vicar, All Saints, Steep, and Priest-in-charge, Froxfield w. Privett (Portsmouth): to retire as

from 30 April. The Rev Preb James Vincent. Vicar, Bude Haven (Truro): to regire as from 30 June. The Rev Canon John Whettern

Team Rector, Swanborough Team Ministry (Salisbury): 10 retire as from 31 May. Other appointments

Mr David Harison and Miss Rubie Richards have been appointed Lay Canons of Portsmouth Cathedral. Captain James Currin, CA, Leader, Church Army Bus Project in

the diocese of Carlisle: to be Diocesan Officer for Evangelism (Carlisle). Mr Henry Head, Assistant Director of Education, States of Jersey

Educational Committee, Jersey. Channel Islands: to be Diocesan Director of Education (Salisbury). Miss Janet Henderson, Lay Chairman, Marlborough Deanery: already appointed Link person for the Ecumenical decade: Churches in Solidarity with

Latest wills

Sir Cyril Wilson Black, of London SW19, former Conservative MP, left estate valued at £1.361,660

Mr Max Jaffa, of London NW8, violinist and leader of the BBC Palm Court Orchestra, left estate valued at £186,106 net. Mr John Bradshaw Wood, of Chelsea, formerly deputy director of the Institute of Economic

Affairs, left estate valued at E810,831 net. General Sir Joseph Howard Nigel Poets, of Grear Durnford, Wiltshire, former commandant of the Staff College. Camberley, left estate valued at £324,877 net. Sir William Francis Beale, of Woodborough, Pewsey. Wiltshire, former chairman of the Naafi, left

estate valued at £587,489 net. Mrs Joan Nightingale Kleinwort, of Haywards Heath, West Sussex, left estate valued at £2,260,884

Other estates include (net. before

tax paid): Mr Bernard Alan Baldwin. shire £1.365.243. Mr Samuel Henry Rendall Clarke, of Lymington.

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Najibullah loses power in north to mutineers

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN KABUL

MUTINOUS troops and militia have wrested control of almost all northern Afghanistan from President Najibullah, whose power is rapidly ebbing away. Senior loyalists in the hated state security aparatus are fleeing the country, aware that the

end is probably near. Ten cities, millions of people and at least eight provinces in the north are now under the jurisidiction of an anti-Pashtun alliance of troops and militia that no longer profess loyalty to Dr Najibullah. Deals have been struck with local Uzbek and Tajik mujahedin leaders, bringing an unfamiliar if tenuous peace across a vast area.

The UN has privately set April 28 as a deadline for installing a temporary ruling council in Kabul to take Dr Najibullah's place. It will serve as little more than a device to let him give up power with a measure of dig-nity. After that, the real battle for political control of Afghanistan will begin. Pro-Iranian groups will demand substantial representation in a proposed interim government for the Shia minority. while Pashtun mujahedin will light to retain traditional Pashtun domination over both the government and the

Large numbers of small ethnic, tribal, religious and



political groupings will join the contest for a stake. The UN wants the complex process to be completed no later than 45 days after Dr Najibuliah quits: that, however, may turn out to be an overoptimistic target.

The stakes are high. The "interim" government will probably hold power for a long time, given that elections in Afghanistan are impossible, despite the UN's insistence that they be held in due

course under the aegis of the interim administration. A loyal jirga, or grand assembly, might eventually agree on the shape of a permanent

The rebel army-militia alliance in northern Afghanistan is headed by General Rashid Dostum, an Uzbek, who commanded a militia division. He lets mujahedin fighters enter the principal northern town, Mazar-i-Sharif, so long as they leave their weapons behind. The uneasy truce has given hope that old enemies elsewhere in the country might also make deals and stop fighting. Never has the country been so optimistic about peace prospects in 14 years of civil war.

When Dr Najibuliah leaves Afghanistan, some time after the proposed ruling council has taken over, he will initially land in Delhi to thank his old ally. It is not known where he will settle, although it is rumoured that he owns a villa in France. His wife, a frequent visitor to india, arrived in Delhi a few few days ago. Some ministers and top army officers are likely to leave the country when Dr Najibullah

The UN is anxious to get food into Kabul to ensure stability in the capital at such a precarious time. Several hundred lorries loaded with food are waiting for the signal to begin the first official overland border crossing in years but they will not leave until the road has been checked for mines and mujahedin commanders along the route have. all pledged safe passage. The convoy will not be given mili-tary protection by Pakistan.

Although Afghanistan does appear finally to be heading for peace, it will be an Afghan-style peace. Rival fiefdoms will continue to dominate the countryside while a weak government in Kabul will hold on to the principal cities. Pakistan is plainly determined to weaken the Islamic fundamentalists it supported for years.

It is clear that none of the three republics to the north — Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Taiikistan - has any interest in embracing their ethnic brothers in Alghani-



Shop soiled: a grocery store manager in Maastricht surveying the damage after an earthquake had struck the region yesterday

European quake is no great shakes

cathedral. Masonry fell from older buildings in many towns, smashing cars parked in the street. Water, gas and electricity supply lines were cut in a large number of ar-eas. At Biblia, a nuclear reactor was shut down as a precaution. Bonn's Bundes tag skyscraper office block was cracked, and a long strip of plaster was shaken from the wall of the 29th-floor restaurant. In the office of the Bundestag president, Rita Süssmuth, books and papers were strewn over the floor from an opened cabinet. The chamber itself was covered in thick dust shaken from the

Although severe earth-quakes in the region are rare, the so-called Peeil Edge, which runs along the valley of the Maas, is a recognised geological fault, which makes it one of Europe's most active areas. In 1756, the town of Duren between Aachen and Cologne was the epicentre of a quake comparable to the one yesterday. Others nearly

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A daily safari through the fguage jungle. Which definiti are correct?

By Philip Howard

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In prehistoric times the top of a mountain between what is now Cologne and Koblenz blew off in an explosion which would have rivalled Krakaton. Pumice and rock from there have been discovered 400 miles away in Ber-lin. The hole which was created is now a crater lake called Maria Laach, the site of one of Europe's finest Ro-manesque abbeys. The bells there were set ringing by the earthquake yesterday, but the centuries-old structure remained unmoved.

• Tekyo: An earthquake shook northern Japan yesterday. The tremor, measuring 5.3 on the open-ended Richter scale, hit Ofunado and surrounding areas in twate prefecture, which is about 220 miles north of Tokyo, the Meteorological Agency said. injuries No WETE

Property damaged, page 10

Kinnock blames the press

on the Labour party been so comprehensive . . . This was how the election was won and the politicans, elated in their hour of victory, are tempted to believe otherwise, they are in real trouble next

Mr Kinnock said: "Lord McAlpine could not be expected to acknowledge the degree of misinformation and disinformation employed in the attacks on the Labour party, but in all other respects his assessment is correct.

"I make and I seek no excuses," he said, "and I express no bitterness when I say that the Conservative-supporting press has enabled the Tory party to win yet again when the Conservative party could not have secured victory for itself on the basis of its record, its programme or its

He gave the Labour party advice about the leadership election, saying: "Do not feed and do not believe the press and broadcasting media in their reporting of these events." Mr Kinnock said his decision to resign was "an essential act of leadership" and arose from his desire to see Labour gain further strength and be better able to serve the people of Britain.

As the Labour leader read his nine-minute statement in the shadow cabinet room at Westminster, he was watched by his closest personal staff and his wife Glenys. He stood at a wooden lectern with a display of red roses and a South Wales area National Union of Mineworkers ban-



Hattersley: will step down as deputy in June

saying that he would take no questions and left the room quickly after he had made his

Labour's new leadership team will be chosen by the party's electoral college, unions, party members and MPs. Jack Cunningham, Labour's campaign chief, appealed yesterday for party unity during the leadership battle. "This is a time for Labour to maintain its solidarity and self-discipline. Our supporters will not for-give parliamentarians who eopardise the strength which Neil Kinnock's leadership has brought to Labour," he

"Everyone in the Labour party owes Nell Kinnock a huge debt for the way he has brought the party back from the brink of oblivion."

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Polaris sub returns to base for last time

By MICHAEL EVANS DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

HMS REVENGE, one of four Polaris ballistic missile submarines which form Britain's independent nuclear deterrent, has returned from its

last parrol. The submarine will be decommissioned, leaving three Polaris boats to maintain the patrol until the first Trident submarine comes into service at the end of 1904. Its last patrol was signalled vesterday in the Royal Navy's traditional manner flying the long white decomissioning pen-nant as it came into the Fasiane base on the Clyde.

The pennant, with a red St George's Cross at the hoist, was fixed to avoid interfering with other shipping. Normally the tail end of the pennant is tied to a balloon.

The Revenge entered the Gareloch bathed in sunshine, greeted by ships' hooters and a salute of ships' water hoses. The "paying-off ceremony dates back to the 19th century, when all cleaning rags were stitched together and hoisted, as a sign that they were no longer needed.

The three remaining Polaris boats are the Renown, Resolution and Repulse. The navy is confident that the nuclear pairol can be maintained on a 24-hour basis with just the three boats over the next two and a half years, although officials say that the long-term Trident deterrent must consist of four boats.

There had been speculation that the Revenge had suffered cracks in the primary cooling circuit and could not go out on patrol. Yesterday's arrival at Fasiane from its last patrol proved that the submarine remained operational.

HMS Revenge was the last of the Polaris boats to come into service. Once the Ministry of Defence decided not to give the boat another refit, costing more than £100 million, it was earmarked for decommissioning. The Re-nown is in refit and is due out of dock soon. Repulse and Resolution are the only boats available for patrol for the time being. HMS Vanguard, the first

Trident submarine, is due to start sea trials this year. It was launched in March at the VSEL shipyard in Barrow-in-Furness, and is to come into service in late 1994 or early 1995. The Polaris submarines will be phased out as the next Trident boats are handed over to the navy.

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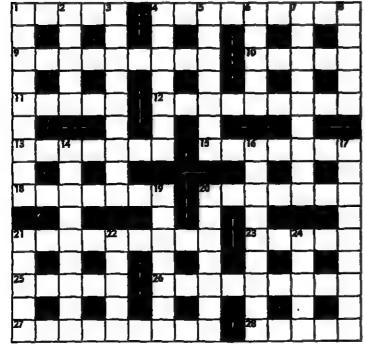
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- 1 Secure contract (5). 4 Gluttony, perhaps, when lady dines out (6,3).
- 9 Have a flutter with relish, holding back inside information (9). 10 Passes for half a dozen soldiers
- 11 Drive around motorway to exercise beginner (5). 12 Organised team drill - a monot-
- onous routine (9). 13 Sailor gets sole or other sea food
- 15 Novel Moroccan law officer (7). 18 Shown, as films may be (7). 20 He picks up fag-end, getting thinner (7).
- 21 Expert around court is ac-23 The point in an action to break

Solution to Puzzle No 18.891

25 Join in fun - it exhilarates (5). 26 A slip-up in supervision (9). 27 Arrogant soldier returned and took command after start of battle (3-6).

- Entrance to international match inclusive of tax (9). 2 Bloomer by workers' mouthpiece
- Family treasures appear vague in sound broadcasts (9). 4 One called up to a platform in the
- 5 Develop sea legs like Peter Pan. say (7). 6 Was quick to put up poor wretch
- 7 Place in sun Scipio contrived that's the suggestion (9). 8 Spacemen left, concerned with air intake (5).
- 14 Copying setting for ring with attractive result (9). 16 Monarch invades. cuts out manoeuvres (9). A ferret that is trained as a circus
- performer, possibly (4-5). 19 Harsh noise from dance centre over the way? (7). 20 Gallery set on closure gets un-expected gift (7).
- 21 Sound fruit, reportedly (5). 22 Note about fringe subject (5). 24 Fish from the corner (5).

Concise Crossword, page 9 Life & Times section

A wet and windy day for most of England, Wales and Northern Ireland, although southeast England could remain dry until midmorning. The rain will turn more showery in the afternoon over Wales and southwest England with the possibility of thunder. Much of Scotland will also see a fairly wet day with snow on mountains but clearer, colder conditions already over northern Scotland will spread slowly south. Outlook: becoming cooler

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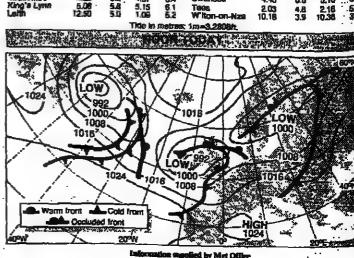
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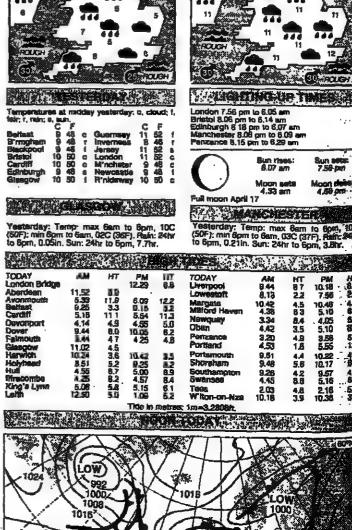
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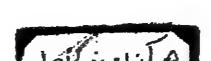


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Japan may miss capital adequacy deadline

Nikkei's slide poses threat to Tokyo banks

BY NEIL BENNETT IN LONDON AND JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

THE Tokyo stock market plunged another 614 points in Monday trading as a new report from IBCA, the debt rating agency, showed that the collapse in share prices has left many of the country's leading banks dangerously short of capital. The Nikkei index lost about

half of the gains it made on Friday to close at 17,236.65. a drop of 16 per cent in the past month. Analysts said yesterday's fall showed that Priday's rally had been artificial since it was not triggered by

THE pound rose to its high-

est against the mark for more

than five months and came

off the bottom of the Euro-

pean exchange-rate mech-

anism (ERM) where it has

International demand for

sterling, prompted by the

Conservative election win,

continued to propel the pound forward. Reports that

the Russian government has

stormed out of parliament in

Moscow, and a downgrading

of German growth prospects

by the leading think tanks,

speeded the mark's retreat.

At the official London close

at 4pm, the pound stood at DM2.9102, almost three

week's close. Compared with

its eve-of-election position, it

was up almost 7 pfennigs. It

finished a cent lower against

the dollar at \$1.7627, but was

0.5 up on its trade-weighted

index at 91.7, its best show-

overtook the Danish krone to

reach 22 per cent of its per-

mitted divergence from its central rate in the parity grid. This compared with 37 per

cent on Friday. International

investors short of sterling

were the main buyers, with

about 100 banks met in To-

ronto yesterday to hear how

Olympia & York, the big Ca-

nadian property company.

proposes to restructure its

huge debts, now understood

O&Y confirmed that Gerald

Greenwald, a former vice

chairman of Chrysler, was to

become president and deputy

chief executive of Olympia &

York Developments, O&Y's

main operating company.

Mr Greenwald was appoint-

As the meeting began,

to be US\$15 billion.

In the ERM, the pound

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languished since November.

improvements in the factors ments. Sakura has since is depressing the market. sued preference stock to The fall in the stock market is depleting the value of the bank's massive share portfolios, and cutting into their capital adequacy. This is making it increasingly uncer-tain whether Japan's banks banks under the limit.

dards by the deadline of March next year. IBCA's report shows that at the end of last month, Sakura and Nippon Credit Bank had failed to meet the 8 per cent capital requirement set by the Bank for International Settle-

Japanese investment trusts

particularly active.
Although sterling's re-

gained strength last week en-couraged hopes of an early

base rate cut, money market

pressure for a cut eased. The

key three-month interbank

lending rate closed Vie lower

at 10 % per cent. One month

money was quoted at 10 ½ per cent, the base rate since

September. Signals from the

authorities indicating no ear-ly easing contributed to ster-

In America, Chemical

Banking Corporation cut its

prime lending rate by 4 point

to 6.25 per cent, the lowest

since December 1976. The

Reserve Board's cut in short-

term interest rates last week.

The Fed move was intended

recovery strengthens.

to ensure America's fragile

On the stock market, inves-

tors continued to celebrate

the Conservative election win.

But both equities and govern-

ment securities closed below

their best with the FT-SE 100

index seeing an early lead of almost 34 points virtually

halved to end the session 18.4

as Johnson, former president

of Manufacturers Hanover,

would not be taking the job. Mr Greenwald worked

with Steve Miller, the invest-

ment banker masterminding

the O&Y refinancing, on the

similar and successful re-

structuring of Chrysler in the

Eighties. After Mr Green-

wald's appointment, Paul

Reichmann, one of the three

brothers who own O&Y, said:

"His proven financial and

management skills will be of

great help as O&Y continues

German growth, page 18

up at 2,591.0.

O&Y job for Greenwald

BY OUR CITY STAFF

REPRESENTATIVES from finally confirmed that Thom-

Pound climbs off

bottom of ERM

BY COLIN NARBROUGH AND MICHAEL CLARK

will be able to meet interna-

tional capital adequacy stan-

improve its capital. The continuing fall in the Nikkei this month has pushed many of the other city, or commercial, In Tokyo, analysts believe the banks will face serious problems if the Nikkei index falls below 16,000. At that

mum amount of subordinated debt allowed under BIS rules to bolster capital ratios. David Marshall, IBCA's analyst in Tokyo, said that unless the Nikkei index recovers, the only solution would be to relax the BIS's capital standards. But the Bank of England and other central banks are thought to be strongly opposed to any attempt by the Japanese Ministry of Finance

to relax capital adequacy standards, since that would undermine the credibility of the agreement.

Concerns about capital ad-equacy have hit bank shares hard in the recent stock market falls. Investors are also worried about the growing level of bad debts in the banking system. These have mainly been caused by the 30 per cent slump in Tokyo land prices in the past 18 months. Several other factors are causing the sell-off in the stock market. Firstly, investors have been disappointed

by the government's emergency measures introduced at the beginning of the month. These were intended to stimulate the faltering economy but are widely considered to be inadequate. They included a 0.75 percentage point cut in the official discount rate to 3.75 per cent.

Paul Heaton, senior analyst at Smith New Court in Tokyo, said: "The government hasn't introduced anything substantial to encourage the markets. It should open up liquidity or put new money into the market and the whole economy. But it seems to be doing nothing."

Data on portfolio alloca-tions has also depressed senti-ment. There have been indications that corporate cross-shareholdings, about 70 per cent of the market, are being broken down, while life insurance companies, which are suffering slower growth of premium income, could cut dramatically their allocation of new funds to the stock market.

As the stock market continues to fall. Japan's trade surplus was a record for March, taking the total surplus for fiscal 1991 to its second highest level ever, according to official figures. The monthly surplus rose 29.3 per cent in March compared to a year earlier, reaching a record US\$10,985 million. The surplus for fiscal 1991 rose 62.7 per cent from the previous year to US\$88.736 million.

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point, most banks will fall below the 8 per cent limit, even if they raise the maxi-Dividend defender: Sir Philip Beck, the chairman, said Mowlem had an obligation to shareholders

> to reshape Russian industry FROM WOLFGANG MÜNCHAU IN BUDAPEST

Brady attacks EBRD plan

NICHOLAS Brady, the American treasury secretary, yesterday attacked an ambitious scheme by the Europe-an Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) to help Russia reconstruct its heavy industries and convert its armaments business into civilian enterprises.

"The EBRD cannot cover the entire range of needs; it cannot be all things to all people; it cannot hope to cover all factors, both private and public, in all countries. In this regard we are not convinced of the need to branch into new restructuring operations involving major policy changes that detract from the bank's main mission," Mr Brady told the first annual meeting of the bank's gover-

He urged the EBRD: "Sell. don't recapitalise state owned enterprises. Recaptalising money-losing operations

won't get the job done." Mr Brady's warnings amount to one of the strongest criticisms yet made by any of the European Bank's shareholders, and have cast a shadow over the first day of the two day conference, as they high-light the division between the bank and some of its shareholders over future strategy.

His comments amount to an open rebuttal of a proposal made earlier by Jacques Attali, president of EBRD, who called for a "special restruc-

turing programme." This programme would be additional to existing financial assistance and would involve soft loans at below market interest rates to help with modernisation and the capacity reduction of Russia's

heavy industries. M Attali's emphasis could not have been more different. In a rousing and uncompromising speech he told delegates that "entire sectors need to be restructured before any

Mr Brady and M Attali reflect an intensive debate within eastern Europe over whether to restructure first and then to privatise, or whether to use privatisation as a means to restructuring. In M Attali's view the modernisation of Russia's heavy industry and especially the need to convert military industries otherwise known as the tanks-into-tractor conversion

- represents a prime candidate for a restructuring-first approach. Experiences in some countries, especially in eastern Germany, have shown that these industries are among the most difficult to sell without special incentives, so that

a privatisation-first approach has frequently proved impossible. M Attali singled out Russia's defence industry, which employs more than 12 million people. He said that "they are totally unfitted to

competitive conditions and

are in a potential situation of surplus capacity of the kind witnessed in western Europe in the past decade. They need to be reduced to a size compatible with region requirements. For this purpose we should like, with you, to set up a special restructuring programme, which will finance such projects from a new kind of resources".

Other delegates have also expressed doubt about the widening of the European Bank's responsibilities. Britain is understood to be sceptical, while Theo Waigel, the German finance minister. told fellow governors that "financial and technical assis tance by the West is necessary, but the key to success lies in the recipient countries

themselves". He said that Germany has supported the reform process more than any other country,

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Mowlem slumps to £3 m

BY MATTHEW BOND

JOHN Mowlem, the contracting group, has reported a slump in pre-tax profits from £34 million in 1990 to E3 million in 1991. As a result, the final dividend has been cut from 15.35p to just

4.85p. making 10.5p (21p). Sir Philip Beck, chairman defended the decision to pay a dividend, which required a fill million transfer from reserves. "We believe we have an obligation to shareholders to look through the recession

to the medium term." The pre-tax profit was struck after £7.2 million of exceptional provisions, £3 million of which related to un-

winding two joint ventures. Sir Philip also announced that Mowiem was withdrawing from commercial property development, with a £14 million extraordinary provision and resulting in an antributable loss of £15.5 million (£15.4 million profit).

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ed just hours after it was its own restructuring." The idealogical divisions Men of power sign a deal in green

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

CONTRACTS to finance two gas fired power stations at a cost of £775 million were signed yesterday, as com-panies rushed to beat a deadine set by British Gas to sell fuel at pre-increase prices. The American developers

of one plant, at the Isle of Grain in Kent, pledged to plant a forest in the tropics big enough to consume an amount of carbon dioxide equal to that emitted by the plant. "We just feel like it is a responsible thing to do, what with the concern around the world about global warming and the greenhouse effect." said Daniel Ayre, the project director of AES Medway.

Mr Ayre said the tree-

planting project would take

some years to come to fru-

ition. A tropical country

would be selected because

the rate at which trees grow,

Young: growth strategy and therefore absorb carbon, would be higher there.

Applied Energy Services, the American parent combuilt in America.

pany of AES Medway, has already begun tree-planting schemes in relation to plants The power station projects

to a consortium made up of

thermal efficiency with fewer harmful emissions.

of a rapid build up of gas written by an international fired power station projects consortium of ten banks, including Barclays, Sumitomo Bank and Banque Indosuez. A turnkey contract to build the plant has been awarded

> Marubeni Corporation of Japan, Tarmac and Black & Vetch, the American consulting engineers. A second plant, with a ca-pacity of 680 megawatts, is to be built at Keadby, South Humberside, for £400 mil-

lion. It will developed by Keadby Power, a 50-50 joint venture between Hydro-Electric, the Scottish power company, and Norweb, the regional supply group. Each company will take half the station's output under a 15year agreement. Both plants will come on stream in 1995.

Roger Young, Hydro's chief executive, said increasof Hydro's growth strategy.

unleashed by privatisation of the electricity industry. Because the generators were sold, in effect, as a duopoly, would-be rivals have been forced to commission ket. Almost all have chosen gas, arguing that burning natural gas produces cheap-er power at higher levels of

> The AES project is for a 660 megawatt combined cycle gas fired power station on the Isle of Grain. The plant will be owned by Medway Power, a joint venture between AES Electric and two regional electricity supply companies, Seeboard and Southern Electric The regional companies have contracted to buy the entire

output for 15 years. ing generating capacity in The construction cost of England was a "central part" approved yesterday are part £370 million has been under-

Babcock agrees bill in

German bankrupt case

BABCOCK International Group, the process plant group, faces a bill for £14.3 million after agreeing terms for the settling of ten-year old legal proceedings in Germany. Under the settlement terms, Babcock International Holdings Ltd (BIHL) will pay Dm 40 million in cash to IBH Holding, a German company in bankrupacy, and reguide for certain

(BIHL) will pay Dm 40 million in cash to IBH Holding, a German company in bankruptcy, and provide for certain costs. Babcock's group balance sheet includes a provision of £19.2 million in respect of the liability.

Following the settlement, BIHL can file a claim of Dm 40 million in the bankruptcy of IBH. Indications from the IBH receiver are that it could produce a dividend of 15 per cent of

the claim. The proceedings arose in connection with a subscription for share capital made by BIHL in IBH 1982, the year before IBH's insolvency.

DINKIE Heel, the toecap and shoe-repair products maker,

reported that pre-tax profits for the year to end-December fell 12 per cent to £259,000. The profits were after an

exceptional charge of £51,000 relating to a disposal and interest of £107,000. Earnings per share increased from 1.6p to 1.82p because of lower tax. A final dividend of 0.6p makes an unchanged total of 0.95p. Margins were improved through an 11 per cent reduction in the workforce.

Trading in the first quarter is "up to expectations".

Allied London ahead

ALLIED London Properties has bounced back into the black with pre-tax profits of £2.6 million for the six months to end-December, compared with a £5.4 million loss last time.

Most of the damage last time was caused by an £8 million

writedown against the the value of the residential landbank and work in progress. The latest figures contain no provisions, but the problems in the residential market have clearly continued. The interim dividend is unchanged at

Single market accord

Dinkie Heel slips

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Rolls-Royce signs £300m engine deal with Cathay

BY ROSS TIEMAN AND LULU YU

ing hard to win further orders

from American Airlines and Japan Airlines, which have decided to buy the aircraft, a

319-seat medium-range jet. The Boeing 777 order from

Cathay, based in Hong Kong, is the biggest for Rolls-

Royce powered aircraft. The

engines will be assembled in

plane Group, of Seattle, for \$3.4 billion. The amount in-

cludes around \$500 million

for engines ordered from

David Gledhill, Cathay's chairman, said 11 Boeing 777 aircraft would be deliv-

ered in 1996 and 1998, at a cost of \$1.7 billion. Options on a further 11 could be

exercised from 1997 to 2000.

"This will be a huge invest-

ment, not only in the future of

Cathay Pacific but also in the

future of Hong Kong - illus-trating our continued confi-

dence and commitment," he

Cathay has been using Rolls engines since the mid-Seventies. "After detailed analysis of alternative en-

gines, the Rolls-Royce Trent

800 series was selected as

having the best blend of prov-en and new technology." Mr

Sir Ralph Robbins, chief

executive of Rolls-Royce, said

he was "delighted" to be re-

taining his role as supplier to one of the world's most profit-

able airlines. The new planes will gradually replace the airline's current fleet of 747-200s and 747-300s.

Providing 80.000 lbs of

BY OUR CITY STAFF

FROST Group, operator of

the Save petrol stations chain.

is paying a 2p dividend, after turning in pre-tax profits last year of £2.5 million, against

In its prospectus, Frost pre-

dicted that the 1991 profits

would be disappointing by

comparison with its record, but that basic steps had been

taken to help the group "re-

establish its previous track

would pursue a "progressive" dividend policy in 1992 and beyond. The current payment is comfortably covered by earnings of 13.4p a share.

Floated on the stock market

by the Norfolk House Group

receiver last October, the self-styled largest independent petrol filling station operator

in the UK has acquired 23

new sites in the ensuing

months, passing chairman

James Frost's first milestone

of more than 100 sites. The

target over the next five years is 250 outlets.

Mr Frost expects to make further acquisitions in 1992.

The company also said it

record."

£4.7 million previously.

Gledhill said.

at the same price.

Rolls-Royce.

Cathay, controlled by John Swire & Sons in London, plans to acquire 22 jets from the Boeing Commercial Air-

LORD Tombs, chairman of Rolls-Royce, has finally dis-pelled fears that the company might come a poor third in the race to power the only new Boeing aircraft this decade. The British aero-engine man-ufacturer has clinched a £300 million contract to provide engines for Boeing 777s ordered by Cathay Pacific

Airways.
Cathay, one of the most profitable airlines in the world, is the third carrier to order Rolls Trent 800 engines for the 777 wide-bodied twin-jet, after Thai and Emirates. The latest contract gives Rolls a 28 per cent share of the market for 777 engines, behind Pratt & Witney, but ahead of General Electric.

All three are now compet-

Fugitive S&L chief gives himself up

FROM REUTER IN RHODE ISLAND

THE former president of a savings institution whose alleged embezziement of \$13.5 million led to one of the most troubled periods for banking in America surrendered himself to police on Sunday after 17 months as a fugitive.

Joseph Mollicone, 48, surrendered at the home of Thomas Diluglio, the former Rhode Island Lieutenant-Governor whose nephew is married to Mr Mollicone's

Mr Moilicone, who had been the subject of an international search, was placed in jail under heavy guard pending an arraignment hearing due to take place yesterday, according to Robert Craven, the prosecuting state assistant attorney general. Mr Craven expected a grand jury to hand out indictments by the weekend.

Mr Mollicone disappeared on November 8, 1990, after auditors questioned him about \$13.5 million that appeared to be missing from the coffers of his Heritage Loan and investment savings institution. Heritage was later taken over by the state of Rhode Island.

Investigators have alleged that fraudulent loans were assigned to people and businesses that had neither applied for loans nor received funds. The Heritage takeover put a severe strain on a \$25 million private insurance fund, the Rhode Island Share and Deposit Indemnity Corp. which backed the deposits of many of the state's credit unions and savings and loan

Six weeks after the Heritage takeover, Bruce Sundiun, Rhode Island's governor, closed 45 banks and credit unions that had been backed by RISDIC, freezing \$1.7 billion worth of deposits in 300,000 accounts. Nine of the institutions remain closed.

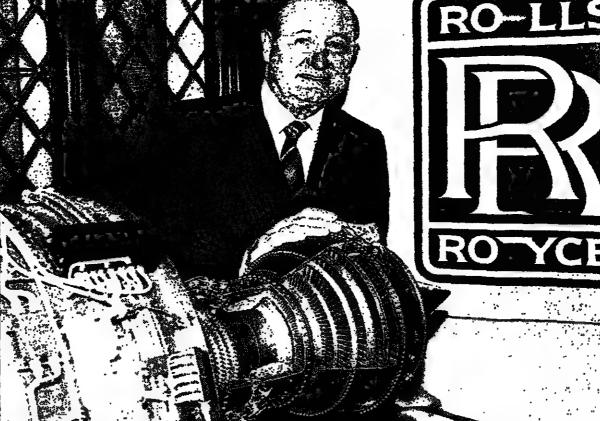
Midland bid terms 'out soon'

THE Hongkong and Shang hai Bank is poised to an-nounce its offer terms for the Midland Bank. An announcement is expected within the next two weeks, barring any last-minute hitches (Neil Bennett writes).

A Midland spokesman said no formal date has been set for the announcment, but HSBC Holdings, the holding company of Hongkong Bank. and Schroders, its adviser, are working flat out on the offer document and will complete it before the end of the

Hongkong Bank is expect ed to offer at least 400p a share, in a mixture of shares and loan notes, with a partial cash alternative. The bank is intent on ensuring the terms are sufficiently attractive to

deter any counterbid. Meanwhile, Lloyds Bank, whose approaches were rejected by Midland's board, is awaiting details of HSBC's bid. Lloyds refuses to make any public comment about Midland. Privately, however, its advisers have said it is still ready to make an offer if the opportunity arises, although it has ruled out a hostile bid.



Thrusting ahead: Lord Tombs celebrates a £300 million order from Cathay Pacific for Rolls-Royce engines

Domestic slowdown pushes Japanese surplus to record

By Colin Narbrough, Economics correspondent

ECONOMIC slowdown at home boosted Japan's trade surplus to a record \$10.9 billion in March to make the surplus for 1991-92 the second highest, finance ministry figures showed.

importantly, the overall climb in the customs-cleared surplus last month was not reflected in Japan's politically sensitive bilateral trade with America. For the first time in eight months, the surplus with America recorded a year-on-year decline, mainly because of substantial purchases of American aircraft by the Japanese.

This development follows Washington's accord with Tokyo to reduce the bilateral imbalance, Japan's surplus with America was \$3.16 billion last month, a fall of 17 per cent from March 1991.

Frost: acquisitive

"The recession has provided a

special opportunity to acquire

sites at considerably lower

prices than two years ago," he

So far in the current year

trading is in line with expectations. Credit Lyonnais.

Frost's broker, is predicting

profits of £5.7 million for the

year, creating earnings of

23.5p a share. A 12p divi-

Frost Group shares were

changing hands at 380p yes-

terday, compared with their issue price of 235p.

dend is forecast.

thrust, the Trent 800, derived from the RB211 engine, will be the most powerful built by Roils-Royce. A smaller version, the Trent 700, is being developed to power the Airbus A330, the Boeing 777's The overall trade surplus last month was up 29 per cent on the same month last year. This meant that Japan has had 15 months in a row of European rival.

Frost Group stays

on outlet target

year-on-year increases in its trade surplus. For the fiscal year to the end of March, the suplus was \$88.3 billion, up 63 per cent. Exports were the highest ever at \$320.6 billion.

The slowing Japanese economy and sluggish domestic demand has forced companies to turn increasingly to export markets. A rundown of stocks is also being directed largely into exports. The Japanese consumer has enhanced the nation's trade balance too by reining back on imported luxuries. The Japanese finance min-

istry made clear that it does not expect the surplus to rise rapidly in the months ahead. as the government is taking measures to promote import growth, while Japanese firms have moved production out of Japan. March imports were 8.2 per cent down on the previous March, showing a steady decline since autumn. An important factor was the lower price of oil. Exports

were 2.6 per cent up on March last year, having shown year-on-year increases for 22 consecutive months. For fiscal 1991-92, imports were down 4.2 per cent, while exports were 8.1 per cent higher than the previous year, at \$320.58 billion.

Despite the official assurances that the trade surplus will not continue to grow as vigorously as in the past, economists believe the slowdown in Japan will push up the trade surplus for the rest of the year. While American threats ap-

pear to have produced the effect Washington desired on bilateral trade, surpluses with other regions have not been addressed. Japan's surplus with the European Community narrowed to \$2.98 billion last month, down 8.5 per cent on March last year, but grew by 33.7 per cent in fiscal 1991-92 to \$28.44 billion.

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Poll result prompts £150m BAA issue

By Jonathan Prynn

BAA, the airport management group, has taken advantage of strong post-election demand for sterling to raise £150 million through an issue of long-dated eurobonds

The issue was the second from UK companies to hit the market after the election, following Cable and Wireless's £50 million issue on Friday. The Conservative victory unleashed a wave of foreign demand for sterling assets, which pushed gift yields down to historically attractive

Faanya Goldin, BAA's treasurer, said the decision to go ahead with the bond had been taken on Friday afternoon after the election result rekindled the interest of overseas borrowers" in the UK market

The bonds, which will be listed in London, mature in 2016 and yield 10.509 per cent at the fixed re-offer price of £110.728. The funds raised will be used for "gener-al corporate purposes," the company said. The long life of

the bonds reflected strong demand from investors at the long end of the yield curve and the company's preference for long-term funding to match the long-term nature of its assets. The bonds have a spread of 140 basis points over the benchmark gilt, compared with a 134 basis point spread on BAA's outstanding

The bonds were received well by the market, with a number of UK institutions featuring among the buyers. BZW was lead manager to the issue, and Kleinwort Benson, J Henry Schroder Wagg and Cazenove acted as co-

lead managers. Further corporate issues are expected, especially from sectors that have urgent liquidity requirements but are having problems raising bank debt.

However, the window of opportunity for corporate borrowers may be closed by the government's heavy gilt issuing programme, further details on which are being announced today.

has strong quarter of growth BY OUR ECONOMICS

CORRESPONDENT

MILD winter and heavy stockbuilding enabled west Germany to grow strongly in the first quarter, but it is too early to speak of an economic turnround, its five leading economic instututes say.

Despite a seasonally-adjusted rise of 1 per cent in the gross national product in real terms in the opening three months, the think tanks have sharply downgraded their growth forecast for the whole year. In their joint spring report they call on the Bundesbank to cut leading interest rates in the second half of 1992 as soon as market rates start to fall.

Hans Tietmeyer, the Bun-desbank vice-president, ruled out any near-term change in key German lending rates. Speaking in Paris after chairing a meeting of denuty chairing a meeting of deputy finance ministers and central bankers from the leading economies, he said participants agreed that controlling public spending, rather than cutting interest rates, was the best way to speed sustainable

Although the German institutes are concerned about stagnation in Germany, they do not foresee recession. But their recommendations sug-gest they believe the Bundesbank might keep the monetary reins too tight. They urge the Bunderbank to aim for growth in its M3 money measure at the upper end of its 3.5 to 5.5 per cent target range. In February. It

grew 8.5 per cent. For all of 1992, the report has halved its growth forecast from last autumn to 1 per cent. In 1991, west Germany expanded 3.1 per cent. Record high interest rates, im-posed to kill off inflationary pressures, have reduced investment and demand for labour. The Bundesbank insists the slowdown comes against a background of exceptional growth arising from the unique shock of unification.

Professor Hans-Jürgen Schmahl, presenting the institutes' report in Bonn yesterday, supported the view that the west German economy was still basically sound. Although he was not prepared to entirely rule out a slump or recession, he said the institutes did not consider such a development probable.

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holds mineral lands in Cana-

da and America.

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Germany

THE European Community and the European Free Trade Association (Efra) are to initial tomorrow their accord setting-up the world's biggest single market. The initialling - the step before a final signature and ratification by the 19 EC and Efta national parliaments and the European Parliament — was made possible when the EC's highest court this weekend removed the final obstacles to the plans. The EC and Efta together account for two-thirds of world

Hemingway cuts loss HEMINGWAY Properties, formerly Marylebone Estates, reported a £2.6 million loss for last year, a significant improvement on the £6.9 million lost in 1990. Once again, there is no dividend. Leonard Phillips. chairman, described 1991 as a year of transition and said that the figures did not provide an accurate indication of the group's future performance. But the figures compared well with the £2.1 million half-time loss, demonstrating that many of the steps needed to reduce the revenue deficit have been taken.

Roskel attacks delays

ROSKEL, the suspended ceiling installer, has condemned many developers and contractors for delaying payment to subcontractors to preserve cash flow. Simon Skelding, the chairman, said that the delays had resulted in many subcontractors going out of business. While in Roskel's case few of the contracts in question were in serious dispute, the delays were affecting cash flow and margins. Pre-tax profits for last trees fell interest 2.2 million to 6.4 million. for last year fell from £2.2 million to £1.6 million. A final dividend of 3p ninkes an unchanged 4.3p.

CE Heath float details

CE HEATH, the insurance broker, has announced the finalised terms of the May flotation of CE Heath International Holdings (HIH), its Australian subsidiary. It will raise Aus\$106 million (£47 million) from the sale of ZZ million shares priced at Aus\$1.50. A number of directors of CE Heath and HIH will provide sub-underwriting. If CE Heath has to take up all of its sub-underwriting commitments it will end up with 46.5 per cent stake.

Govett reveals plans on dual share listing

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

GOVETT, the Anglo-American fund manager, is plan-ning a dual listing in London and New York in an effort to lift its share price. The group, which changed

its name from Berkeley Govett last month, has been shunned by British investors, despite a strong profit record. Now it is launching an American depository receipt (ADR) on Nasdaq, the American electronic stockmarket and will follow this with a dual listing. The ADR is being sponsored by the Bank of New York.

Arthur Trueger, Govett's chairman, revealed his plans during a rare visit to London last week. He also said that the group is considering re-stating profits at London Pa-cific, its American annuities subsidiary. Govert's shares closed at 118p last week, putting them on a p/e ratio of less than four against last year's pre-tax profits of \$53.8 million, up 16 per cent on 1990.

The company needs to get its quote back to the US," said Mr Trueger. Govett is one of the handful of America com-panies which took a British listing in the lare Eighties when it was fashionable, de-spite accounting in dollars and being registered in Jer-

Mr Trueger also said he is close to completing the acqui-sition of a trust company in America to complement Govett's other fund management businesses and is looking at another fund management group on the West Coast to complement ACI, which it bought last year. Govett also wants to buy a British fund manager to expand John Govett, its specialist invest-ment house in London. Mr Trueger said that Govett may

abandon the use of accrued

profits accounting at London Pacific and move to a cash accounting basis. This would cut profits from \$24 million last year to between \$2 mil-lion and \$5 million, but could improve the group's image. "London Pacific is a home run, however we count the profits," said Mr Trueger. --

Bond trial to start in May

ALAN Bond, whose business empire failed, will stand trial in Perth next month on a charge related to the collapse of Rothwells, the Western Australian merchant bank.
It is alleged that Mr Bond,

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53, urged Brian Coppin, a Perth businessman, to commit money to the 1987 Rothwells rescue while concealing from Mr Coppin that Mr Bond was to receive an Aus\$16 million (£7 million) fee for his efforts.

At a brief appearance in the district court yesterday. Mr Bond entered a plea of not guilty. His trial, expected to take a week, is scheduled to start on May 25.

Mr Bond, who was released on bail of Aus\$100,000, is best remembered as the head of the syndicate that won the America's Cup from the New York Yacht Club in 1983.

The cup was regained by America in a series of races off Fremande. Australia. three years later. Mr Bond's business empire, once esti-mated to be worth about Aus\$700 million began to crumble soon after and he is fighting to stave off bank

Goldbelt wins CIS mines development

GOLDBELT Resources, a Vancouver-based minerals exploration company which has an element of British shareholders on its share register, aims to develop two mining projects in the Commonwealth of Independent

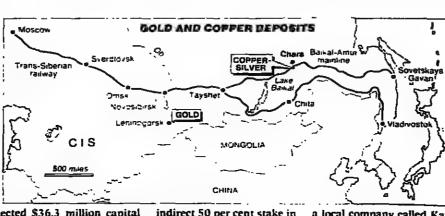
One is a gold recovery project in Kazakhstan and known as the Leninogorsk

gold tailings project.

The other is a copper-silver project in Russia that has been under exploration development for several years and which is considered to be one of the largest deposits in the world.

Goldbelt's confirmation of its exploration plans follows the recent declarations by various CIS states that foreign mining interests would be welcome to help develop natural resources in the for-

The company is negotiating with international lenders to help fund the proj-



ected \$36.3 million capital cost of the gold project, where construction could begin this autumn and which could be in production by end-1993, or early 1994. The project involves treating 136 million tonnes of mine tailings for precious metals, estimated to contain 2.7 million ounces of gold and 20.7 million ounces of silver. Goldbelt will have an indirect 50 per cent stake in the project which could produce 924.000 ounces of gold and 5.74 million ounces of silver during the first ten years of operation. Projected life of the mine is at least

Feasibility studies suggest a pay-back period of less than one year. An agreement with Kazakhstan authorities provides for the formation of

exempt from customs duties

on imports.

Goldbelt hopes to secure agreements with the Russian authorities to exploit undeveloped copper-silver deposits in Siberia, 300

a local company called Kazgold to undertake the project. Kazgold will be granted a tax free period and, because it will be in an economic free zone, should be

belt is committed to take both projects to the feasibil-

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Clowes ordered to make an interim payment of £6m

BY JON ASHWORTH

PETER Clowes, the jailed financier, and his wife, Pamela, have been ordered to make an immediate interim payment of £6 million in damages to the trade department which took over the claims of thousands of small investors who lost out in the collapse of the Barlow Clowes invest-

The High Court order by Sir Donald Nicholls, the Vice-Chancellor, follows the judge's ruling last month that the couple have "no defence" to the damages claim laun-ched by the DTI to recoup

The exact amount of damages due has yet to be assessed by the court, but the judge said it was "inevitable" that the figure would exceed £10 million and probably £15

VIVAT Holdings, the Lee

Cooper jeans manufacturer,

is passing dividends after los-

ing £12.5 million last year.

The company, which paid a nominal 0.5p dividend last

time, slumped into the red after provisions of £12 million

arising from the sale of a

retail subsidiary to Chelsea

Man, a quoted retailer that

These provisions increased

gearing to 73 per cent of

shareholders' funds and to

redouble pressure on the

company to reduce capital

tied up in the business and to

seek ways of reducing bor-

£119.000 last year, compared

with profits of £3.65 million,

and a loss of 1.2p per share, against earnings of 8.3p.

Vivat made pre-tax losses of

subsequently collapsed.

Vivat Holdings

passes dividend

By MARTIN BARROW

million with interest to be added. Clowes and his wife had argued that they should not be ordered to make an interim payment because they did not have the means to pay. Clowes' assets are fully charged to meet claims pending against him by the Barlow Clowes liquidators. But the judge said this case

was "far removed from the run-of-the-mill", and there was nothing unjust in order-ing an interim payment, even if the amount was beyond the couple's means and it had the "extreme consequence" of bringing bankruptcy on them. Interest is to run on the interim payment, but the judge granted a stay of his order pending an appeal by Clowes and his wife. Clowes, serving a 10-year

Christopher Burnett, who be-

came chairman in October

1991, said problems arose

after Vivat diversified from its

core Lee Cooper business into

other ventures, which have

since been sold. He blamed a

downturn at Lee Cooper on

poor buying decisions and overstocking in the UK distri-

bution subsidiary and its counterpart in Germany.

However, the business was

"sound and capable of good

There had been an encour-

aging start to the current year

although a return to profit in

the first half depended on the

upturn continuing through

the spring. Although the bal-

ance sheer had been weak-

ened, the company had access to sufficient funds to

support its recovery.

expensive cars and various business enterprises. After taking the unprece-dented step of granting £150 million in compensation to the 18,500 investors in Barlow Clowes in December 1989, the government, which accepted no liability for the collapse, has been intent on recovering as much of the

government gilt-edged secu-

rities and spending the mon-

ey on a yacht, executive jet,

Gilt Managers.

The amount claimed in-

legedly deducted by Clowes

money as it can. Touche Ross, the accountant, and solicitors and stockbrokers connected with James Ferguson Holdings, the parent company, are being sued for negligence by the DTI. Writs have been issued against investment advisers who recommended Barlow Clowes to investors. All four major high street banks are being sued, together with Al-lied Dunbar and Legal & General, the life assurance groups. The government claims that the firms were negligent or in breach of their contracts. Investors assigned

their rights to legal recovery to the DTI in return for ac-

cepting compensation.



Firm hand: Sir Gordon Borrie will move to prevent the brewers from evading OFT recommendations

Borrie fires shot at the brewers

By MARTIN WALLER

SIR Gordon Borrie, the retiring director general of fair trading, has fired a shot across the bows of the big brewers who attempt to evade the continuing break-up of the beer industry by the use of long-term supply agree-ments. Share prices in several big brewers fell sharply against the trend on the stock

market. Sir Gordon's office has already moved against one such agreement, a deal to lease pubs from Allied-Lyons to Brent Walker's Pubmaster operation, and others are thought to be in the pipeline in the run-up to November, when the so-called beer orders restructuring the industry come into effect.

Sir Gordon, who retires in June to make way for Sir Bryan Carsberg, said other block lease deals, described in

the drinks trade as "parking up" pubs, would come under close scrutiny to see if they complied with the beer orders, which are intended to limit the number of pubs brewers can own as tied

Furthermore, he would consider using powers available under both the Fair Trading Act and the Competition Act to move against supply deals "if I believe that the long-term supply agreement is used to frustrate the loosening of the tie which has been set in train".

Sir Gordon was speaking to the annual meeting of Camra, the Campaign for Real Ale, in Bristol over the weekend. Stockmarket analysts said he was repeating an earlier stance that brewers abave or bewells ed ton bluow the intentions of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which initiated the shake-up of the industry.

But shares in Allied itself, which has gone ahead with the Pubmaster deal and hopes to reach agreement with the OFT by November over a possible compromise solution, fell 16p to 617p.

The A shares of Whitbread, which is putting together its own batch of leasing deals with various pub groups but with no supply agreement at-tached, fell 8p to 423p, although a company spokes-woman said Sir Gordon's strictures did not apply to the

Last month, an agreement that linked Allied with Carlsberg, the Danish brewer, was referred to the MMC by Peter Lilley, the former trade secretary, on the advice of Sir Gordon. But the OFT is keen to distinguish a third deal, between Courage and Grand Metropolitan, which was approved by Mr Lilley subject to undertakings by the two

That deal should not be seen as a precedent for sevenyear supply agreements, Sir Gordon told Camra.

The outcome of that link was that the beer supply agreement would expire in 1995 and that 1,067 more pubs would be sold or freed from the tie than would have been the case if both companies had continued as brewers with their own tied

Sir Gordon also said his office was now considering responses from the industry to enquiries over the rise in beer prices, a matter that is under investigation by the

Building jobs to fall by another 300,000

BY OUR CITY STAFF

THE construction industry is heading for another 300,000 job losses by the end of the year, according to a state-oftrade enquiry by the Building Employers Confederation. carried out before the results of the election were known.

The confederation, one of the industry's main employers' bodies, is pressing for meetings with ministers once the necessary appointments have been announced.

The enquiry found that output was continuing to fall, while the number of firms operating at less than half capacity rose to 25 per cent. John Smith, the confedera-

tion's chairman, said: "There is still no sign of renewed growth in output so that 1992 will be another extremely tough year for construction firms and their employees."
He said the jobless figure

looked likely to continue to rise for the rest of this year and into next. "We can now see that in 1991 as a whole the level of output was 9 per cent lower than the level recorded in the previous year. For 1992 I fear the consensus of industry forecasts indicating a 4 to 5 per cent fall in output may well prove over-optimistic."

According to the survey, almost half the firms questioned said they had experienced a fall in output, while just 9 per cent said output had risen. Forty-five per cent said they expected further redundancies against 7 per cent who expected to take on more people.

Some encouragement could be drawn from an easing in the decline in new enquiries for work and an increase in optimism about future workload. But, Mr Smith said: "I am greatly concerned that the amount of work in hand among our larger firms continues to fall

away.
"I am afraid this reflects the gradual completion of large projects which are not being replaced by new orders."

Powell Duffryn sells fleet

By Michael Tate CLLAR PEDILLON

POWELL Duffryn, the storage and specialist engineering group, is pulling out of shipping with the sale of its Newcastle-based Stephenson Clarke Shipping business. Stephenson Clarke, which

operates a fleet of 16 dry bulk carriers aggregating 110,000 tons around the north European coastline, can trace its history back 270 years. The business has been part of Powell Duffryn since before the second world war. In a deal that values the fleet at £19 million, the group

is selling 60 per cent of the shipping company to private clients of Hambros Bank. Powell Duffryn will retain the remaining 40 per cent until "certain distributable profits" have been achieved, at which point Hambros has an option to buy at a nominal figure.

The sale is the latest step in Powell Duffryn's restructuring programme, which last week saw its two foundry businesses sold for £4.4 million. Powell pulled out of the aggregates business last October after a £30 million deal

with Hanson.
Unaudited accounts for the year ended last month show that Stephenson Clarke made pre-tax profits of £1.4 million. The net book value was £22.4

Hanson sells Ever Ready to Ralston

HANSON has agreed the £132 million sale of its Ever Ready dry cell battery business to Raiston Purina, the American corporation better known for pet food products, in a deal that reunites the two sides of the Ever Ready business after threequarters of a

century apart.
Ralston aiready has the Eveready battery name and business outside Britain, bought in 1986 from Union Carbide, the corporation that took over the American company in 1914 when the Britsh Ever Ready interests were floated off.

Hanson, led by Lord Hanson, had negotiated to buy the American Eveready operations from Raiston, but agreement could not be reached and the subsequent deal. which takes Hanson out of the batteries field it entered in 1981 with the purchase of BEREC, was struck.

The business sold, excluding the South African opera-tions which the Americans declined to buy, made £18.5 million at the operating level on sales of £87.1 million in the latest financial year.

Elmer J Richars, a Ralston vice president, said the decision had been taken not to buy the South African activities in part on political grounds. "Maybe some time in Tempus, page 20 | at it." Ever Ready employs

1,200 people in Britain. Mr Richars said there were no plans for redundancies or plant closures. The deal confirms its position as one of the two biggest dry cell battery producers in the world.

standing alongside Duracell. Hanson believes the business, where profits had declined to a third of their peak at the time of the original purchase, has been restructured and revamped to the point where the potential for improvement was limited.

Ever Ready sponsors the Derby classic horse race, committing some £600,000 each year. Ralston is contractually bound to continue support until 1994. "It's been an effective marketing tool," Mr



Aitch sells losing offshoots

By JONATHAN PRYNN

AITCH Holdings has announced further details of a financial reconstruction and a change of name to Dunkeld Group. These changes involve the sale of the main lossmaking subsidiaries, leaving four operating companies in two product areas, shirts and ladies leisurewear.

Stuart Hollander, chairman, said these buslnesses are now operating profitably. The aggregate rading profits of the ladies' more than £1.7 million in the year to end-November. Three other loss-making subsidiaries are to be sold.

The reconstruction involves a £500,000 term loan from the Industrial Development Board of Northern Ireland, a £5.3 million term loan, a £3.5 million revolving facility and a £500,000 overdraft facility from Hill Samuel, and the renewal of a £2.4 million loan

Aitch has agreed to allot new shares, representing 9.1 per cent and 0.8 per cent of its issued share capital, to Hill Samuel and FennoScandia respectively. Losses, after extraordinary items and tax, for the year were £17.5 million.

The restructuring will leave the company with net current assets of £2 million and will holders' funds to £8.2 million.

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Cinderella stocks thrown new lifeline

By Rodney Hobson

THE Stock Exchange's effort to breath life into 120 of its Cinderella stocks goes live in two weeks.

From April 27 these stocks, the least traded on the main and USM markets. will each be allocated a page on the exchange's Topic information service. Market makers and brokers will be able to see details of the previous ten trades in each company's shares so they can

assess public interest. At present, there may be no indication of any share price at which a market maker will deal. Companies that do not have at least two market makers willing to offer a continuous two-way share price will be consigned to the

company bulletin board service. The key to the new arrangements. which follow consultations with stock exchange members on a wide range of issues including market liquidity, is the company broker, who will be responsible for helping to match and execute bargains for other dealers. The company broker will also be responsible for providing information on the company. including lastest profit figures.

By building up dealers' confidence in

handling the stocks, the exchange hopes to improve liquidity and reduce the cost of buying and selling shares.

The innovation will not reduce the stocks involved to the matched-bargain level of non-SEAQ stocks which will continue to be traded under rule 535.2. There is a danger, however, that designated shares will be regarded as second class citizens, with inclusion in the list drawing attention to the fact that the shares are not liquid.
Brian Winterflood, of Winterflood Se-

curities, who has fought almost single-handed to maintain markets in USM stocks, greeted the new system with caution. He welcomed the move to make company brokers more responsible for the companies they sponsored, adding: "That is right and proper. Companies come to me and say they have become financial orphans." However, he feels the move is cosmetic. He said:

"I do not think it helps. With some small companies no matter what you do, the shares are not going to change

Where the company broker is the only one willing to deal in the shares it may end up supplying information only to itself. Mr Winterflood added: "What is to stop the broker from putting deals across its own books to manipulate the

The Stock Exchange has warned dealers against abusing the system, such as by leaving outdated orders or false indicative prices displayed. It says users of the service should be the first line of supervision and should complain to the exchange's market supervision department if necessary.

Companies may escape the ignominy of the company bulletin board service by persuading at least two market makers to register that they will make a continuous two-way price in the shares. Companies that drop below the requirement of two registered market makers will be relegated to the bulletin board.

Mowlem cheered for ending property development

IF THE 13p rise in the John Mowlem share price is anything to go by, two trading days after a Conservative election victory is no bad time for a contracting com-

pany to report a 91 per cent fall in annual pre-tax profits. In fact, the share price rise has as much to do with the progress Mowlem is making in putting its own house in order, as it has with any future economic recovery. It also has to do with the company choosing to pay a final dividend of 4.85p, to make a total of 10.5p. That may be half last year's 21p, but assuming it marks the low point of Mowlem's generosity to shareholders, it means the shares, even after vesterday's rise, are on a gross yield of 9.5 per cent.

By withdrawing from prop-erty development, at the cost of a £14 million extraordinary provision, Mowlem has signalled that its future lies with contracting, scaffolding, hire shops and housebuild-ing. Quite where that leaves London City Airport, a drain on cash flow to the tune of about £1.7 million a year, is not clear, although, as business travel resumes, its allet-enhanced

prospects should improve along with its saleability. The good news for the immediate future came from housebuilding and hire shops, both of which have seen an increase in activity

since the beginning of the year. The less encouraging news was that contracting after record post-interest profits of £25 million — has surely only one way to go, as the two-year fail in the forward orders from EJ.2 billion to £700 million indicates.

Mowlem's worst problem appears to be scaffolding. where trading profits col-lapsed from £37.7 million to just £8.8 million. Half of the group's £5 million redundancy cost has been used in cutting SGB's staff by 25 per cent, as part of a group-wide programme that has cut total staff by 1,800, or 10 per cent

Profits of £10 million this year put the shares, at 148p. on a price-earnings multiple of over 20. But with gearing at just 28 per cent, and given the discount to net assets and market yield, the shares look cheap.

Powell Duffryn

POWELL Duffryn, as one of the less glamorous of Britain's listed companies, has undertaken its metamor-phosis comparatively undetected. Neither its activities nor its performance have been inspirational, matters that the board is now

addressing. PD, in selling its Stephen-son Clarke fleet of short-haul, dry-bulk carriers, has virtually completed a restructur-ing that has rooted its future



Bill Andrews, chief executive of Powell Duffryn and David Hubbard, chairman

shore-side storage and specialist engineering activities such as combustion and railway

equipment.

The deal looks a little messy, with PD left holding 40 per cent of Stephenson Clarke, but the stake will go once the shipowner's profits have topped up the purchase price to an agreed level.

in the combustion field for a This is the latest and probably the last in a series of deals that saw PD raise total of about £10 million. Managing power station burners is a world market 630 million when it unwound that lacks a dominant player and is one in which PD is set its aggregates link with Hanson last October and, only last week, sell its foundry on making a reputation. interests for £4.4 million.

PD believes it has one in railway engineering, but could do with an order book. for which it could use a needed for the Channel tunnel. Now that the tougher decisions have been taken, it is hard to see PD sitting on its hands and further investments can be expected.

The balance sheet, with

gearing now down to little more than 20 per cent, is strong, but the board may, at some stage, want to turn to thereholders for funds.

The mild winter could have dented profits in the year just ended to about £21 million, leaving an un-changed 22.6p dividend not quite covered by earnings of 21.6p. But the shares, at 285p. are worth their 13.2 earnings multiple.

Morgan Crucible

MORGAN Crucible hardly stops to draw breath when it comes to making acquisitions. Several were made in the 53 weeks ending January 5, and with £50 million still left in its kitty from the April, 1991 rights issue that raised £96 million. more are planned in 1992.

But while last year's increased share base led to a 16 per cent fall in fully diluted net earnings, from 23.8p to 19.9p a share, the benefits derived from ac-quisitions allowed operating profits to stand steady at 271.3 million, and pre-tax profits to inch up from £59.5 million to E61 million.

Against the backdrop of what Bruce Farmer, chief executive, calls the worst trading conditions for many years, the overall outcome did not displease the market.

Despite operating in 120 countries, currency move-ments balanced themselves out on translation. Operat-

ing profits, superficially steady, bore 52.5 million of reorganisation costs, while the balance sheet is stronger post the rights issue, with gearing at 28 per cent against of per cent. Interest cover improved from 5.5 to

6.8 times. The trail of acquisitions in 1992 will probably take in America, Europe and Britain, and there are real prospects in 1992 that net earnings will resume their upward trend. Companies bought last year will, in a full 12-month period, add 660 million to sales and £9 mil-

lion to operating profits. Morgan did well in America, where trading prospects are becoming brighter, and in Australia and South East Asia, but conditions in Europe were fickle.Further cost cutting is expected this year, while capital expenditure across the board will again rise. Last year it was 40 per cent up at £31.6 million. This year E42 million is planned. Final dividend goes up from 6.55p to 6.85p a share, making 12.6p. against 12.04p, and pre-tax profits could advance to £70 million.

At 285p. up 4p yesterday the shares trade on 13.5 times prospective earnings. They will respond well to positive American and British economic news, and are worth buying.

STOCK MARKET

Share rally steadies as poll euphoria cools

Concurrently, it invested £14 million in a half share in

Tees & Hartlepool Port and acquired two key businesses

Friday's gains, which foltion victory, but fund managers made it plain they would not pay silly prices for stock.

The equity market recovered from a hesitant start and showed a rise of almost 34 points before reducing the lead to close 18.4 up at 2.591.0. The early lead was almost entirely futures led, but it was a pace neither market was likely to sustain.

Turnover of 629 million shares was less than half Friday's 1.3 billion and conditions were described as thin. Support was selective, with interest continuing to focus on the top 100 companies and recovery sectors such as retailing and property. The rally has not yet filtered through to the second and

Government securities the long end, but the pound's strength and fading hopes of a cut in interest rates saw the lead cut to £12 by the close.

Shares in Midland Bank surged lop to 372p on turn-

over of 10 million shares as

speculators began taking bets that the bid terms from Hongkong and Shanghai Bank would be known within the next few days. The market is expecting terms valuing Midland at about 400p a share. The other banks falled to make headway, with Barclays 12p lower at 315p, Lloyds 1p lighter at 395p and National Westminster 1p chéaper at 310p.

The water companies attracted selective buying, with Anglian 5p better at 416p, Northumbrian 8p at 427p, North West 5p at 415p and Welsh 4p at 434p.

The property sector also attracted support as a potential recovery situation, with advances for British Land 4p to 176p. Dacjan Holdings 10p to 855p, Great Portland 4p 143p. Land Securities 6p to 392p, MEPC 6p to 292p, Slough Estates 3p to 164p

Mounting hopes that con-sumer confidence has started to improve lifted the stores sector. Alexen rose 10p to 318p, Argos 8p to 287p. Body Shop op to 355p, Boots

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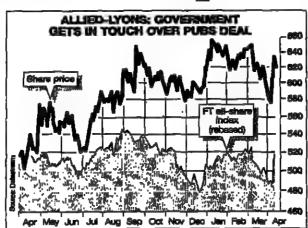
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It looks as if the recovery at Kleen-e-ze, the consumer goods group, may have started at last. Edward Cook, the chairman, has forecast pre-tax profits of £600,000 in the first six months and a satisfactory outcome for the full year. Last year, the group lost £1.14 million. The shares were unmoved at 61 p.

6p to 458p. Dixons 3p to 6p to 107p and WH Smith 239p, Etam 3p to 221p. Kingfisher 20p to 550p. Lloyds Chemists 12p to 345p, Marks and Spencer 5p to 330p, John Menzies 4p to 355p, Pentos 7p to 131p, Rosebys 3p to 133p, Sears

'A' 6p to 107p. Drinks companies suffered an early markdown after Sir Gordon Borrie, director gen-Trading, threatened to take a tougher stance over deals behouse operators that may not fully comply with the spirit of 4p to 262p. the monopolies commission

requirements on tied houses. Allied-Lyons fell 13p to 620p. Sir Gordon confirmed that public houses leased to Brent Walker would still be considered part of Allied's licensed estate. Whithread 'A' was another loser, falling op to 425p. This latest move by the OPT may, however, turn out to be good news for some drinks groups, especially the smaller companies.

Boddington advanced 7p to 169p, Burtonwood 3p to 118p, Grand Metropolitan 5p to 948p, Greenalis 15p to 393p, and Scottish & Newcastle 2p to 470p.

The effects of Friday's

bomb attack on the City of London continued to be felt by the insurers. Work is under way to assess the damput the repair work at £1.5 billion. Commercial Union's 23-storey headquarters was devastated by the blast. Its shares eased 4p to 425p, after touching 420p. Other losers included General Accident

5p to 435p, Royal Insurance 4p to 196p and Sun Alliance

Hanson hardened 2p to 229p after speculation about the sale of its Ever Ready battery interests was confirmed. Hanson is selling Ever Ready to Raiston Purina of America for £132 million. Speculators claim Hanson is clearing the decks for another

Full-year figures from Mowiem, the construction group, made grim reading, but the City thought they could have been worse and marked the shares 10p higher at 145p.

Morgan Crucible, the in-dustrial materials specialist, firmed lp to 282p in response to a 2 per cent increase in full-year pre-tax profits to £61 million.

James Wilkes, which retained its independence in that left the bidder with 35.9 per cent of the company, says it is not aware of any specific reason for yesterday's 14p rise in its share price to 148p.

MICHAEL CLARK

WORLD MARKETS

American blue chips slip in early trading

New York - Blue chips fell slightly in early trading, with residual buying from last week's rally outweighed by elling that stemmed from Russian political turmoil and Japanese share declines overnight. The Dow Jones Industrial average lost 5.37 points to 3.250.

☐ Frankfurt — News that Russia's reformist govern-ment had formally offered its resignation depressed shares. The Dax index ended 0.5 per cent (8.33 points) down at the

□ Sydney - Shares headed downwards. The all-ordinaries index closed 12 points lower at 1,570.1.

☐ Hong Kong — Prices finished lower on lack of buying. The Hang Seng index closed down 31.97 at 4,889.14.

□ Singapore - Shares closed mostly lower in thin trading. The Straits Times industrial index closed 7.06 points lower at 1,373.86.

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Skandia's bid for Hafnia under fire

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DANISH institutions holding about 20 per cent of the shares in Hafnia, the insurer, believe the bid for the com-pany launched last week by Forsakrings AB Skandia of Sweden is too low, the head of a Danish pension fund said.

Flemming Skov Jensen, chief executive of the Wage Earners Supplementary Pen-sion Fund, said the institutions will oppose Skandia's offer of nine of its shares for four Hafnia A or five Hafnia B shares. Mr Skov Jensen, whose

pension fund owns about 2 per cent of Hafnia, said: "A new offer would have to be significantly better." He said shareholders would be discussing ways of keeping Hafnia in Danish hands. Skandia has said its offer

depends on winning accep-tance from holders of 90 per cent of Hafnia's share capital. Mr Skov Jensen said shareholders were concerned about MAIODONANCE

foreign domination of the Danish pension and insurance sector, but also about the fact that Skandia itself was not particularly profitable.
"A Danish solution could

be a continuation of Hafnia on its own, or an attempt to bring Baltica and Hafnia together," he said. The Hafnia board came under pressure to accept the Skandia bid and had not had time to weigh alternatives, he added. ATP, the Danish pension fund that is Hafnia's biggest

shareholder, declined to comment on its view of the bid. If Skandia's bid for Hafnia

were rejected, a related deal between Skandia and UNI Storebrand, the Norwegian insurer, would also fail through UNI acquired 28 per cent of Skandia. Skandia agreed to swap most of UNI's shares for most of Skandia's overseas reinsurance business, provided the Hafnia takeover went ahead.

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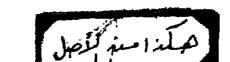
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Attali shelves his soft loans

icholas Brady, the US treasury secretary, was the first to stop applauding when Jacques Attali finished an emotive speech urging the West to increase its efforts to help the Eastern European reform process. Mr Brady expressed his unhappiness even more vociferously in a speech during which he warned the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development to put privatisation first and not to try to be "all things to ali people"

He could not possibly have been more blunt in expressing American scepticism about the European Bank's strategy. Mr Brady's comments amount to an effective rebuttal of M Attali's hopes for Special Restructuring facility, which would allow the European Bank to grant soft loans, high-risk equity and technical assistance to tackle the thorny issue of reconstructing East Europe's industrial base and, especially, the unprofitable heavy industries. In the end, the governors who have gathered in Budapest for the European Bank's first annual meeting agreed on the typically face saving formula: they will investigate the feasibility of such a programme. But the fundamental differences on the subject have only been papered over and the inevitable controversy has only been delayed to

The clash of ideologies underlines three fundamental differences in philosophy about the nature of economic reform in Eastern Europe and the European Bank's involvement. The first is the substantive point of the method of economic reform: whether privatisation should always take priority over reconstruction. The second is whether reconstruction, if pursued, should be the responsibility of the European Bank. And, third, whether it requires additional funds.

On the issue of privatisation, M Attali has a point. The experiences of Eastern Germany, where the privatisation process is more advanced and where business conditions are infinitely more amenable than in Russia, shows only too clearly that heavy industries, especially shipbuilding, steel and defence, cannot easily be solved. When the Treuhand privatisation agency recognised these difficulties, it changed tack and broke up some of the businesses, modernising factories if possible and closing them down if not. Privatisation is not ruled out, merely postponed.

ut Mr Brady's assertion that the European Bank should concentrate on its present remit carries greater weight. The European Bank has been endowed with important and well-defined tasks. First, to encourage private-sector investment and second, to assist with public-sector projects, such as telecommunications and infrastructure. This task is itself immensely difficult and the argument that the bank should walk before it attempts to run cannot easily be dismissed. The task of reconstruction of heavy industries and the notoriously difficult issue of sorting out the armaments business, either through closures or through tanks-into-tractor conversion schemes represents a mammoth task.

But even these considerations could prove academic if one considers the general reluctance throughout the West to provide more funds whether they are deserved or not. Britain is in a recession; America is in a recession and faces an election and so does France. The Japanese are more reluctant than anybody and the Germans have run out of money. The best way to help Eastern Europe is not to throw money at its problems, but to open up the formidable trade barriers that still exist as M Attali has rightly pointed out in his speech. The West will not invest in Eastern Europe if Eastern European companies have no viable export markets. It would

not cost money, only courage.

Nikkei fall catches Japanese banks in a pincer movement

The reliance of banks on vast share portfolios is threatening the

stability of Tokyo's

financial community, says Neil Bennett

pring has arrived in Tokyo, and the trees are covered in pink cherry blossom, but the city's financial markets are buried in a gloom that verges on despair. The stock market is plunging relentlessly and Japan's financial analysts and regulators are worried that the slump threatens the stability of the country's banks and the very heart of its financial system.

Monday's 614-point fall in the Nikkei index to 17,237 emphasised the instability of Tokyo's financial markets. While there are occasional rallies, the market has dropped 16 per cent in the past month and dealers say the index could fall as low as 15,000 or even 12,000.

Every point lost is another blow for Japan's banks, whose balance sheets rely on the value of their vast share portfolios. In the past decade, these banks have become a mainstay of the world economy, and the reverberations of their troubles are already being felt around the globe. Three years ago, the Japanese banks seemed invincible. Their size and apparently limitless access to cheap capital made western bankers despair of ever competing against them. Throughout the Eighties, the Japanese banks stormed into overseas markets offering unmatchable terms to corporate borrowers. To-day, there is hardly a leading Euro-

All the time, however, the banks had feet of clay due to their reliance on massive equity holdings, which have inflated their capital and allowed them to expand their lending so aggressively. The root of the problem lies in the signing of the Capital Convergence Agreement in Basle, Switzerland, in 1987.

pean or American company that

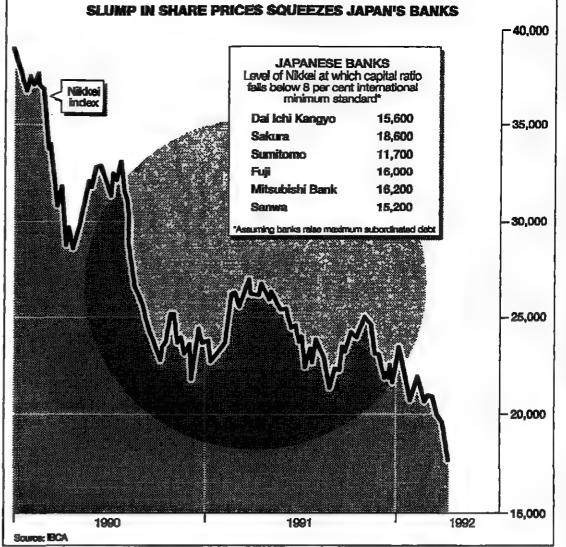
does not have a Japanese bank on its

This agreement set out for the first time a common minimum standard for capital adequacy that all banks in the group of ten industrialised countries, including Britain and Ja-pan, must comply with by next April. Under its terms, the capital resources of every bank must exceed 8 per cent of their risk-weighted assets. The shareholders' funds, or tier one capital, must exceed 4 per

cent of risk-weighted assets. While the agreement was being hammered out, the Bank of Japan lobbied hard to allow banks to inholdings in their capital. Most Japanese banks have vast share portfolios, amassed after the second world war at low prices. Reluctantly, the other G10 central banks agreed to the Bank of Japan's demands and the agreement allows banks to include 45 per cent of unrealised

profits on security portfolios.

With the Nikkei index climbing ever higher in the Eighties, reaching



almost 40.000 at the end of 1989, the banks were unstoppable. Not only was the surplus on the share portfolios growing, but the bull market allowed the bank to issue huge

tranches of new equity at low yields.
The recent collapse in share prices has smashed this virtuous cycle. According to estimates by IBCA, the debt-rating agency, the value of the surplus at Japan's 12 main city banks has been cut by almost half in the past year to Y11.9 trillion (ESI billion) at the end of March. The low share prices have in turn made it impossible for the banks to replace this lost capital using share issues.

Several of Japan's most powerful banks already have capital ratios well below the 8 per cent international minimum, and they will be joined by many others if the Nikkel continues to fall.

Sakura Bank, formerly Mitsui Taiyo Kobe, is one of the worst affected. At the end of last month, IBCA estimated that Sakura's capital ratio stood at just 7.3 per cent. The Nippon Credit Bank is also thought to have failed to meet the minimum requirement, with a ratio of 7.66 per cent. Since the end of March, other banks are thought to have breached the limit as the Nikkei has declined, including Tokai, Bank of Tokyo and the Industrial Bank of Japan.

Until now, the banks have been issuing vast amounts of subordinated loan notes to fill the black hole in their balance sheets. Analysts estimate that the banks have issued a total of Y6 trillion in the last two years, and will launch another Y2 trillion in this financial year.

These issues have been taken up by the Japanese life assurance groups and have been invaluable in shoring up the banks' capital. But there is a limit to their use. Under the Basic rules, the banks can only raise subordinated loans equivalent to half their tier one capital. Many banks are already approaching this limit. Once they reach it they will have no way of raising more funds.

he banks are effectively being backed into a corner and are becoming hostages to the Nikkei index. David Marshall, an IBCA analyst in Tokyo, estimates that Sakura's ratio will be below 8 per cent if the Nikkei remains under 18,600. Most city banks will fail to meet the requirement if the index slips under

So far, the banks and Japan's finance ministry seem to be hoping that a stock market recovery will rescue them from this thorny situation. In Tokyo, however, there is a growing feeling that the MoF and the Bank of Japan will look for ways to relax the Basle regulations. One suggestion is that the Japanese industry ministry will improve the guarantees on public sector loans to reduce their risk-asset weighting

and boost the banks' capital ratios. Alternatively, Yasushi Mieno, the governor of the Bank of Japan, may ask his fellow governors in the G10 to give the banks more time to meet the capital standards, perhaps an extra two years. Any attempt to relax the standards for Japanese institutions will be met with strong opposition from other central banks. Central banks are determined to ensure the Basie rules are enforced to ensure there is a level playing field in international banking. Any move to relax the rules would damage the credibility of the entire agreement.

The Japanese banks are already resorting to a more radical solution. namely shrinking their asset books. The banks achieved phenomenal growth throughout the Eighties, with loan books growing at up to 20 per cent a year. That growth came to a grinding halt 18 months ago. when the banks realised the scale of the problem.

All the city, or commercial, banks in Japan have been reducing their overseas lending and interbank exposure as fast as possible. Figures from the Bank of England show that

sterling loans by Japanese banks in Britain fell from £17.7 billion to £17.1 billion between September and December last year.

On the international scene, statistics from the Bank of International Settlements show that overseas loans from Japanese banks fell from a peak of US\$643 billion in mid-1990 to \$592 billion a year later. The decline is thought to be accelerating.

The asset books of almost all the Japanese banks are shrinking, as they shed low-yielding securities to improve their capital ratio. This. however, has awoken fears of a credit crunch among both domestic and international borrowers.

eter Tasker, an economic analyst at Kleinwort Benson, in Tokyo, said: "At the moment, we are not yet seeing a credit crunch, more a credit crumble. Borrowers do not want to borrow. The impact of the Nikkei fall is not necessarily traumatic, but could be insidious and long lasting. The Japanese banks may simply not be in the market in future in the way they were. The alarm bells are flashing, but if the Nikkei falls below 16.000 we will be hearing sirens as

The effects could soon be felt more severely. Analysts estimate that Jap-anese corporations need to refinance \$100 billion of bond issues in the next three years. Much of the money will have to come from the banks, which are in no state to

As if the banks did not have enough problems, they are also beginning to face massive bad debt problems. Forecasts of the banks' bad debts range up to Y20 trillion, although the true extent of the losses are unknown since the banks tend to support their troubled customers by relaxing their lending terms and

injecting additional funds.

Most of the bad debts have been caused by the 30 per cent slump in Tokyo land prices. That has had a knock-on effect on mortgage companies and leasing businesses. Worst hit are the trust banks, such as Mitsubishi Trust, Sumitomo Trust and Yasuda, where bad debts may now account for more than 5 per cent of assets. Bad debts in turn are reducing the bank's net profits. which in turn is depressing retained earnings and preventing the banks from generating fresh capital

The Japanese banks are caught in a vicious pincer movement caused by the fall in the Nikkei from which there is no obvious escape. The only consolation is that the international capital standards have no legal weight and there will be no official sanctions imposed on the banks if they fail to make the grade ne

The unofficial sanctions of the world's financial markets, which might shun inadequately-funded institutions no matter how large, may

Unless the Tokyo stock market can conjure up a new bull market, or the MoF or the Bank of Japan can devise an ingenious escape, spring 1993 may be even colder than this

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Paul Butt remembered DIRECTORS and staff at

brokers Fiske & Co were yesterday mourning the death of the third victim of Friday's IRA bomb attack in the City, Paul Butt, aged 29, an institutional and private client dealer. At the time of the explosion. Butt, who had been having a drink with a friend in The Globe on Broadgate was walking along St Mary Axe to meet his fiancee so that they could travel home by train together. They had lived together in Grays. Essex, for the past seven years and colleagues say they were planning to marry "as soon as the stock market improved so that there was a bit more cash and they could afford to do it in style". According to Gerald Noel, an associate director at Fiske, Butt was the youngest of a four-man team who joined the firm just six weeks ago. He was a most congenial young man, a little reserved, but good company and universally liked by his colleagues. We are all very upset for him and his family," says

Staying put

CITY lawvers Norton Rose. whose Camomile Street offices suffered severe damage in Friday's bombing, were not amused by an erroneous newspaper report in yesterday's Independent, claiming that they were being forced to move into Broadgate. More than 300 windows were shattered but the lawyers - whose Bahrain office was similarly hit by a Scud missile during the Gulf war - insist that they are resolutely staying put. "We stay, bombs or not,"



says spokesman Ron Cowles. "We weren't forced out by Saddam Hussein and we're certainly not going to be forced out by the IRA." Hear,

In demand SIR John Banham, retiring chairman of the CBI, seems further away than ever from spending more time in his native Cornwall, despite his often expressed desire to stop commuting to London. To-day, he adds a non-executive directorship at Tarmac to his growing list of post-CBI activities which, with the exception of the chairmanship of West Country TV, based in Plymouth, are all likely to keep him far from the Cornish cliffs where he loves to walk. The portfolio now includes the chairmanship of the new royal commission on local government, and nonexecutive directorships at NatWest and National Power. He is also honorary treasurer for the Cancer Research Campaign and plans a book on business and government. The Revolution That Never Was. Sir John, who says he has had "more offers from publishers than I know what

to do with" plans to start writing in July and promises that he will now slow down on taking on new duties. "It's easy to become overloaded," he says. "There are a comple of things I'll still do but I'd be surprised if there are more than a couple of further appointments".

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Sir Anthony Cleaver, chairman of IBM UK, were among the luminaries of the computer industry donning black gowns last week as they were installed as liverymen of the most unlikely-sounding computer body yet - the Worshipful Company of Information Technologists. The computer boffins were officially recognized as the 100th worshipful company in Janu-ary and their stated objective is to raise money for charity and to promote their members' interests. While they build up funds, however, they are having to make do without the traditional trappings of the more established livery companies and have run into problems over where to hold their official letters patent ceremony in May - as yet they do not have their own livery hall. To the rescue have come the Mercers, commonly tagged the number one worshipful company, not only because six centuries of endowments have left them richer than anyone else but because they were the first to gain royal approval in 1394. The Mercers have taken pity on them and are allowing the worthies in the stripling IT industry to hold their opening ceremony at Mercers Hall, Ironmonger Lane.

Failing to forecast Tokyo's fall

From Mr D H Walton FCMA Sir, The bottom has fallen out of the Japanese stock market and many experts are acting as though this was a wholly unexpected event. Surely the seeds were sown over seven years ago, I am simply surprised it took so long for them to produce their crop.

What worries me is how many investors have been locked into this downward spiral by fund managers for the last two years. When the world's largest capitalised company has a ple over 212, and the theoretical value of 100 acres of central Tokyo is greater than the sales value of all the real estate in California

Minimum wage

From Mr N P Hawkins Sir, Your article of April 9 (Selling point for the minimum wage), implied that we believed that the introduction of the Labour party's proposals would have resulted in an increase in retail sales of £1.5 billion or more, without significantly affecting retailers'

This was misleading; the two are obviously mutally exclusive. Our view was that Labour would fudge the issue, firstly by allowing £3.40 per hour to be eroded by inflation, and secondly, by allowing valuable non-statutory benefits (such as paid holiday) to count towards £3.40 per hour. The policy would there-fore have had little effect on either costs or sales.

The policy was therefore a red herring for the stores sector. It is now a dead red herring Yours faithfully

N.P. HAWKINS. Kleinwort Benson. Securities Limited. PO Bax 560. CAROL LEONARD | 20 Fenchurch Street, EC3 the market is mad, and yet I recall when exactly those conditions applied we were being told by experts and fund managers that Japan was an

exceptional opportunity. No one has yet managed to repeal the laws of gravity and an overpriced market will always fall, but one asks how much of small investor money has once again been squand ered by the highly paid ex-perts in banks and institutions who do not have the common sense of their grandmothers.

Yours truly, DAVID H WALTON, 10 St Guthlac's Close, Crowland, Lines.

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Yours faithfully ANDREW ROSS. Managing Director, The Botanic Garden Company Ltd. 86 Thames Road. Chiswick, W4

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From Mrs J. M. Bradford, Head of Small Business Services, National Westminster Bank.

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Separate BIM merger from name change

From Mr B. Halson

Sir, You have published a number of letters about the proposal to drop "British" from the name of the British Institute of Management. May I ask you to publish one more?

I am chairman of the West-

minster Branch of BIM, and since this particular issue arose, have spoken to many individual members about it. There is little doubt that the majority are in favour of joining with other institutions serving generalist managers. with the aim of raising the standard of British management. However, there are serious and widespread reservations about the change of name, and not merely for chauvinistic reasons.

On April 30, at an extraordinary general meeting, the members of BIM will be asked to vote. One would have hoped that the two issues; merger with the Institution of Industrial Management, and the change of name, would have been separated. Howev-

er, the key motion invites support for the merging of the two organisations to create the "Institute of Management". As it is not possible, therefore, to support the merger without at the same time agreeing to the change of name, I personally, and, on a show of hands, the entire audience of one of our meetings last night, will reluctant-

ly vote against. Unfortunately, the inertia typical of most institutional memberships may well permit an apparently overwhelming endorsement of the proposal. (The IIM had a 98 per cent majority in favour, but only 25 per cent voted). Indeed, this seems to be taken for granted by the advocates of the proposal, who are already organising a modest (£80 per head) celebratory dinner; rather bad taste, one

Yours faithfully, BILL HANSON. Flat 3. Manderville Place.

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Tax and the single breadwinner

From Janet Vaughan-Jones Sir, Mr A. S. Owen (Letters March 31) and Gordon Nurse (Business letters April 8) have, like many others, got it wrong when comparing in-

dividual to joint salaries. It doesn't matter whether one ends up with less or more, it is illogical to suggest that the salary of one person with a certain skill level, working a one person/week should be compared to the total of two lower salaries, possibly utilising different skill levels and working two person/weeks.

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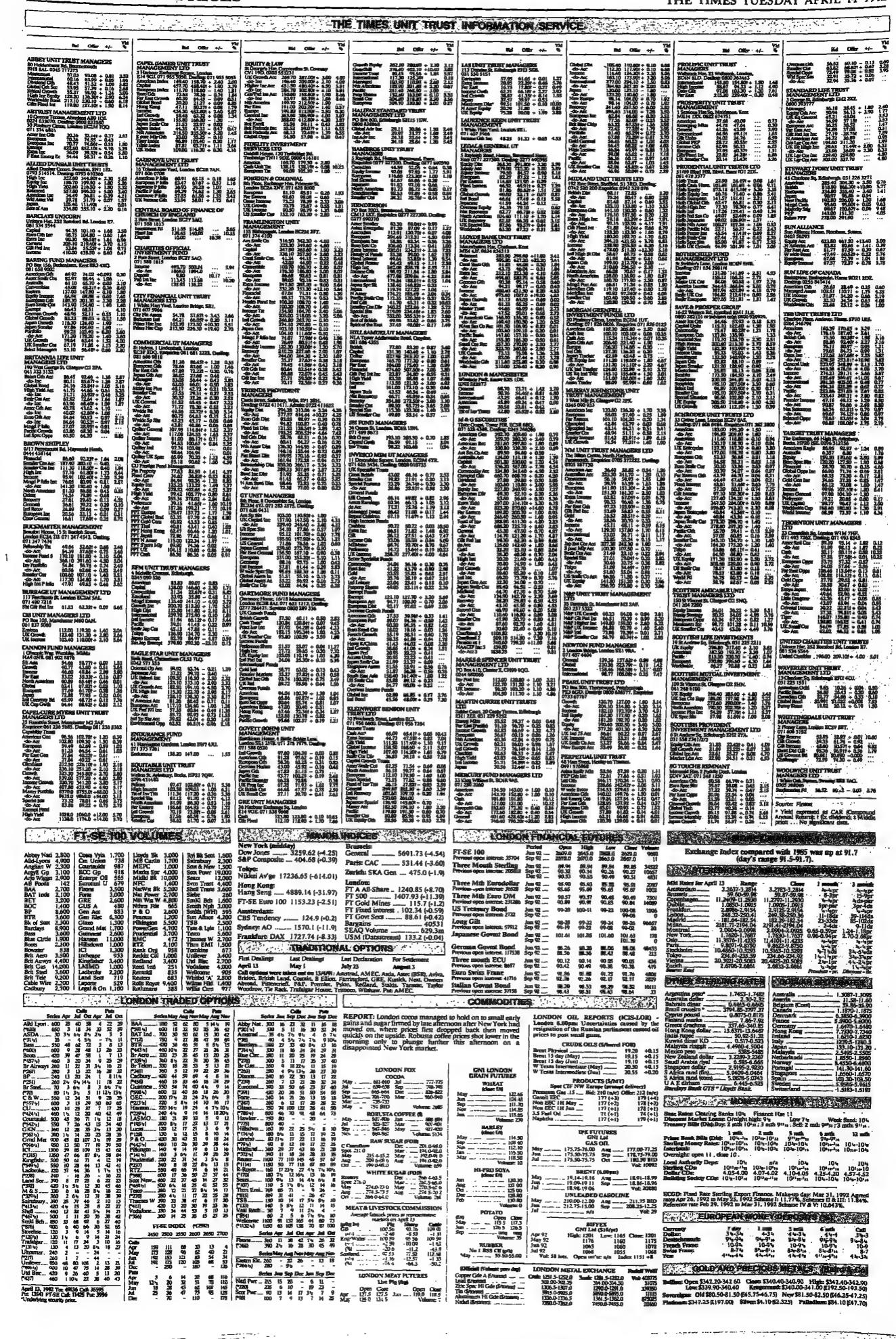
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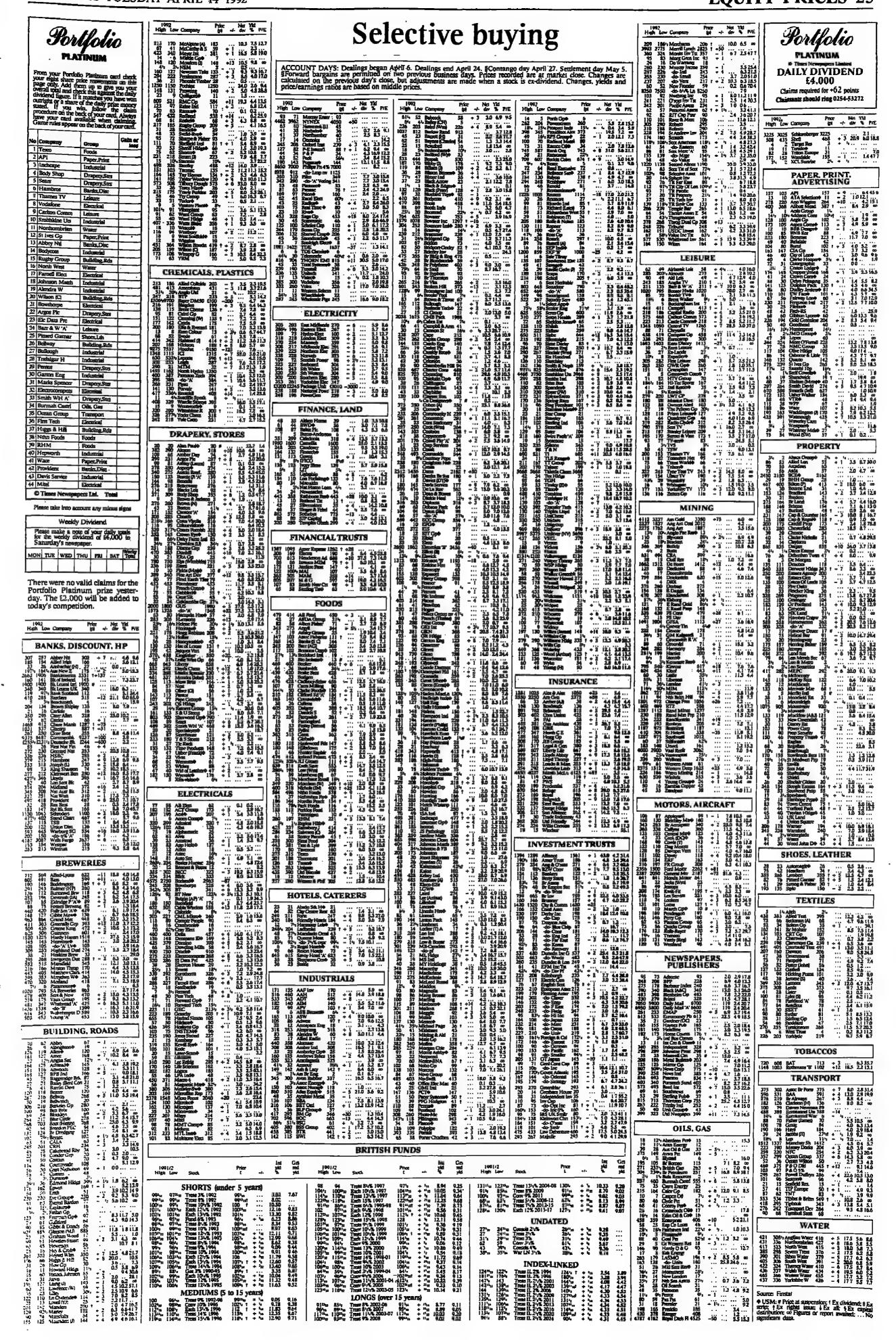
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Mixing disciplines: after the solicitors' conveyancing monopoly was opened up, solicitors increasingly wanted to offer 'one-stop shopping'

All under one roof

overnment proposals to allow "one-stop shopping" in the conveyancing market, with banks and building societies offering customers their mortgages, conveyancing and estate agency services under one roof, have been shelved. But pressure among solicitors firms, accountants and patent agents to band together to provide legal and related services as a package will not go

The pressure for multi-disciplinary services is not just in the house-buying market. Some firms of accountants want to provide insolvency services together with lawyers, while in the intellectual property field, firms are keen to provide a comprehensive service to clients, doing the work not only of intellectual property lawyers but also of patent agents. Solicitors such as Dibb Lupton Broomhead, based in Leeds, and Stephenson Harwood in the City of London, now offer in-house patent agency and trademark services alongside their traditional intellectual property services, which are mainly litigation-based.

But already the moves have caused friction. There has recently been a wellpublicised dispute between the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents (CIPA) and Dibb Lupton Broomhead about the latter's use of the term "Patent Agency" on its notepaper. The dispute has now been amicably settled. Dibb Lupton Broomhead agreed to drop the term "Patent Agency" from its letter-head: instead it will give greater emphasis to the professional qualifications of its chartered patent agents, thereby exploiting the mutual interest of both professions in the protection of

professional titles. There were many in the professions who awaited the outcome with more than an immediate interest in intellecrual property. The result of the settlement, however, is to give new prominence to the real issue, namely whether patent agents should become full partners in firms of solicitors.

Firms that want to act as patent agencies argue that the distinction between the protection of intellectual property at the outset, and its protec-tion when challenged, is an artificial one: further, that a client who believes he has a patent matter that should be handled by a patent agent may also need advice on the same matter about competition law or licensing. Intellectual property is a comprehensive subject and not one that can be split

Robin Smith argues that purists cannot

maintain their knee-jerk resistance to the

notion of lawyers linking with other

professionals to provide a one-stop service

into boxes created historically only for the convenience of the professions. Whether this view is right, only the market can decide.

In the past two years, responses to the very notion of multi-disciplinary partnerships (MDPs) from two bodies, the Council of the Law Society and the Chartered Institute of Patent Agents (CIPA), have varied. Most Law Society council members have a strong instinct - almost a knee-jerk reaction - which makes them vote "no" every time the subject is mentioned. The Law Society's policy remains opposed to multidisciplinary partnerships. The CIPA says it has no objections in principle but is concerned to protect the influence of its members in the regulations under which they may operate in multidisciplinary partnerships. Yet it is increasingly clear that the purist line

be maintained. For a start, Outsiders think clients are not interested in the matter as one of principle. professionals They might well should be free choose to use a firm. or not to use it, on to band together the basis of whether or not it has multidisciplinary skills, as they choose

but if challenged I doubt many would say that they were opposed in principle

to the idea of MDPs. Most outsiders would take the view that there should be complete freedom for professionals to band together in whatever units they choose, and for the market to decide in each case whather a particular multi-disciplinary service was preferable to single-disciplinary

competitors. There are a number of straws in the wind that would indicate that the conservatives in this debate are going to remain on the back foot for a long time, and may in the end have to concede. Accountants started the process many years ago with their management consultancies, and by employing professionals from other disciplines, including lawyers. The accountancy profession now has a series of well-honed rules governing the relationships between accountants and other professionals, which appear to have worked satisfactorily. Certainly all the leading accountants run success ful management-consultancy companies or partnerships in which accountants play a part, but by no

means the leading part. When the solicitors' so-called conveyancing monopoly was opened up to licensed conveyancers, and the prospect of a free-for-all loomed, many solicitors went into estate agency and employed surveyors for the purpose. The Law Society still retains rules that prevent surveyors taking partnerships in solicitor estate agencies, but that is an internal professional matter. So far as the outside world is concerned. solicitors' firms now sell houses and surveyors are part of the team. I doubt

that the client has the slightest idea or concern about whether the surveyor is remunerated by a share of profits or

salary. In the insolvency field, there have been a number of solicitor/accountant joint ventures directed at providing a

comprehensive service in liquidations and receiverships, but they have not taken off so far. Accountants control most of the receivership work and lawyers have influence in liquidations. It has suited both sides to let those arrangements continue. The functions and professional duties of solicitors advising the liquidator or receiver and those of the liquidator/receiver himself are very different, so insolvency may well be an area in which multi-disciplinary practice has been tried and will not succeed simply because the market

does not want it. The extension of rights of audience to solicitors, the result of the Courts and Legal Services Act 1991, holds out the prospect of solicitors appearing in the High Court as advocates. If some of them do (there are bound to be a few

who will give it a try as soon as they can and their number will probably grow), will barristers retaliate by further developing their direct links with other professionals and with foreign clients? Barristers' freedom to approach clients abroad has already resulted in one set of chambers, in Brussels, operating in a way which is indistinguishable from that of a firm of solicitors or indeed any international law firm. These barristers publicly apply the "law firm" tag to

What is good for Brussels may very soon become good for London, too; there are many lawyers who regard the march (or the slide, depending on one's point of view) to fusion as inexorable, but there are virtually none who regard fusion as heralding the demise of the specialist advocate. Advocacy is is highly valued and very scarce in its most developed form. The best advocates will always be able to earn more through advocacy than by spending time on preparation as well and so they will remain specialist advocates whether within a law firm or as independent practitioners.

Indeed, the developing European dimension is likely to have consequences that are as yet imperfectly understood. From the beginning of this year, a lawyer qualified in any European Community jurisdiction can seek admission in any other, including the United Kingdom, by passing a simple competence test. The Law Society and the Bar Council therefore no longer have exclusive jurisdiction over entry into their respective branches of the legal profession.

Lawyers from other cultures and other traditions may well affect thinking in the United Kingdom, and in a European environment that encourages cross-border competition and is opposed to artificial constraints on trade there can be little doubt that those in favour of free competition are likely to come out on top. Arthur Andersen employs more lawyers in Madrid than any of the Spanish law firms, and multi-disciplinary partnerships are al-ready a feature of the scene in Holland.

But the conservatives need not fear the end of civilisation as they know it, simply because it is the market that will dictate the outcome. Multi-disciplinary partnerships are likely to emerge only to meet specific needs and the traditional professional divisions will continue to be dominant.

The author is managing partner of Dibb Lupton Broomhead, solicitors.

Public's verdict on homosexuality

SUMMING up in the recent Jason Donovan libel action, Mr Justice Drake is reported as saying: "If you say someone is homosexual Great Britain, however, is not inhabited solely and do not say that they have done it in circumstances which are illegal, it may not be defamatory. Whether it would make people think less of them would probably depend on

the circumstances."
What circumstances? The media will have to learn to identify what the circumstances are and in doing so are likely to incur a lot of litigation. Meanwhile, journalists who like either writing or talking about the sexual orientation of others would be wise to find other topics for discussion.

There is likely to be great disagreement about what homosexual and lesbian mean. In any libel action, the trial judge would have to decide whether these words were capable of a defamatory meaning; and if he decided that they were, it would be for the jury to decide

whether they were defamatory.

The words homosexual and lesbian may mean nothing more than having a sexual orientation towards the same sex. It is a matter of social experience that many who

have such an orientation do not take part in sexual acts with others. There may be many reasons why they do not reli-gious beliefs, lack of inclination

or opportunity.

If the view that male and female homosexuality have genetic causes is correct, it follows that being homosexual should not carry any moral stigma and that only the ignorant would consider a description of being homosexual defamatory. But is this restricted meaning the current one?

A trial judge would have to decide first whether these words were capable of having a wider meaning, namely, that a homosexual was somebody who took part in sexual acts with others,

and secondly, whether, because of such participation, these words were capable of a defamatory meaning.

Judges would probably have no difficulty in deciding that in modern usage the words homosexual and lesbian could have a meaning beyond the mcrely descriptive one of sexual orientation. It would not be for him to decide that they had such a meaning: that would be for the jury. The much more difficult problem would be deciding whether the words with the wider meaning were capable of being defamatory. Judges would inevitably find themselves in an intellectual quagmire caused by the conflicting contentions of religion, history and modern liberal thinking.

These days, many people think that homosexual acts are as natural as heterosexual ones and that to discriminate against homosexuals is wrong and unjust and to regard anybody with such an orientation with "hatred, ridicule or contempt", to use the old language of the law, would be outrageous. Those who think in this way would be firmly of the opinion that the words homosexual and lesbian used by themselves were not capable

that could produce a defamatory innuendo. Great Britain, however, is not inhabited solely by the liberally-minded. There are millions who describe themselves as Christians and hundreds of thousands who are Jews.

Those Christians who practised their religion might be familiar with St Paul's condemnation of both male and female homosexual acts (Romans 1, 26, 27); and Jews would know of the prohibition of male homosexual acts set out in Leviticus (18, 22) where they are described as an abomination.

For those people who accept the literal authority of the Bible as the foundation of their moral beliefs, homosexual acts are sinful, so it follows that for them a description of anybody that implied taking part in homosexual acts would have a defamatory meaning. Not all Christians, however, accept the literal authority of St Paul's Epistle to the Romans any more than they accept what the Book of Exodus prescribes as the way female slaves should be treated. They consider such passages reflections of the cultures of the times in which they were written. Judges would also

have to remind themselves that in 1917, the House of Lords adjudged that Christianity was not part of the law of England. How then is a judge to decide whether an allegation of taking part in homosexual acts in circumstances that were not criminal is capable of being defamatory? He cannot take a poll of public opinion. There are no statistics to which he

When a ruling does have to be made, the judge will probably guess that such an allega-tion is capable of being defamaiory and rule accor-

dingly.
Many members of the public would be outraged by such a ruling. It could be appealed.

What is likely to happen when the matter is left to the jury? Much will depend on the jury's composition. If the jury, in a particular case, really is a cross-section of the public — as it should be - it is likely to include some who are liberally minded, some who accept as binding what is in the Epistle to the Romans and in Leviticus and others unthinkingly

prejudiced against homosexuals and lesbians. Even if there were some degree of homogeneity of the jury (and that is unlikely), there would probably be regional variations. A jury empanelled from Hampstead might have on it a majority of the liberally minded whereas one from north Lancashire, where there are many Roman Catholics, would be likely to regard any form of homosexual acts as sinful.

Uncertainty about whether an allegation of homosexuality will be regarded as defamatory is likely to remain for some time. There may never be certainty, as in the 1940s and 1950s when allegations that somebody was a communist were common. Meanwhile. individuals may be severely damaged without having a certain remedy by false allegations being made about their sexual orientat of being defamatory. There might, however, The author is a former Lord Justice of Appeal.

Getting back on the track

BRIEF

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LAWTON

olicitors are usually re-nowned for their discre-tion. Michele Deverall is one of the few outside the profession who has an insight into how they think and what

they worry about.

Deverall Associates, of Fulham Road, London, was es-tablished in 1989. Ms Deverail, who has worked for several organisations, including Arthur Andersen & Co. has developed an expertise in management training and in consultancy, psychoanalysis, psychotherapy and counsel-

In the past year, Ms Deverall has counselled more than 20 solicitors from the City's leading practices, usually aged between 34 and 42. and mostly partners.

Those referred to Ms Deverall are charged £450 for the first three-hour session. Most clients buy between six and eight hours' counselling. They can decide whether to continue attending on a per-

Ms Deverall often starts by asking clients to discuss their family background, career history and any relationships that might have made an impact on their lives. One solicitor mentioned a onenight stand when he was 16, but failed to refer to his marital relationship. From her preliminary questioning, Ms Deverall tries to identify

Young lawyers

are turning to counselling

behaviour patterns that may help to solve a client's underlying problems. Ms Deverall has gained an insight into the solicitor's character traits. She comments: "One common thread is that most solicitors view themselves as individualistic and slightly eccentric. But to obtain a partnership, they must conform.

"During this period, they are sustained by the belief that on attaining partnership. there will be greater freedom to express their character. But because of the frenetic activity of the 1980s, such freedom has disappeared. This realisation has made some disillusioned and frustrated."

The continued requirement to spend long hours in the office, despite Insufficient work to justify it, is one example of the constraints of partnership. The distillusion-ment fostered by long and often unproductive hours confined to the office has caused some to turn to heavy drink-

ing and even drugs. The downturn in work has created other problems. Some of the brightest and hardestworking solicitors have become insecure and find a vac-uum in their lives.

Ms Deverall recounts the case of a brilliant 28-year-old. who worried as his workload diminished. His solution was to revert to his childhood obsession, train-spotting. It started as a weekend hobby; by the time he sought help it had taken over. He had ceased to visit the office at all.

Even when a partner is seen to be in difficulties, his or her firm is often slow to react. 'The solicitors' trade is the use of words," Ms Deverall says. "A partnership will often try to tie a problem up in semantics. The suggestion that a colleague may be an alcoholic could be countered with 'it depends what you mean by a drink problem'."

Ms Deverall emphasises that the vast majority of solicitors lead perfectly normal lives. However, the profession does attract a particular type of person. Solicitors are often very bright and creative, yet they are also fundamentally very conventional," she explains.

They are not by nature philanderers, although they may commit the occasion indiscretion. More often their problem is a difficulty in relating to people."

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Unsafe as houses

WILL the election of the new Conservative administration herald a revival of the commercial property market? Confidence in the market's recovery has plummeted in the past six months, especially among the banking sector, according to a survey by Theodore Goddard.

The City firm's survey found that only a third of the institutions polled thought the market would improve in the next two or three years and only 6 per cent expressed any expectation of recovery in the next six months. When the firm did a survey last autumn, respondents

thought they detected signs of recovery. Six months later, however, such confidence in the construction and banking sectors has dropped sharply. Only in the retail sector did a majority express optimism.

Gary Russell, head of Theodore Goddard's commercial property department, said the results boded badly for the immediate future and for

What about me? PART-TIME equity partners in big City law firms do exist: at least, one does. In the wake

of Law Times, March 24, which highlighted the paucity of women part-time partners, GII Briant, an equity partner from Denton Hall, says she has been working part-time in fee-earning work for the past

"Although I am only a parttime fee-earner," she says. "I am a full-time partner and the distinction is crucial because my desire to spend some time with my young tamily in no way diminishes my commitment to the firm. There is at least one example of a parttime, fee-earning equity part-ner, which I hope will encourage them to accept the arrival of others gracefully."

Sleep easy

PUBLIC fears about what is stored in the warehouse or factory door should be allayed soon by new rules giving local authorities the power to control the storage and use of hazardous waste on sites in England and Wales.

The rules will introduce a system of hazardous substances consents (HSCs), giving local authorities the power to control the storage and use of dangerous chemicals. Companies that store above a certain limit of any one of 7 I

substances listed in the schedule to the Planning (Hazardous Substances) Act 1990, which comes into force in June after seven years' debate, must apply for an HSC.

INNS AND OUTS

More lawyers

AT last more openings for part-time students of law. Birkbeck College has appoint-ed Dr Peter Goodrich as its first Corporation of London professor of law. He will head



Blackstone: grateful

the development of teaching and research at the college's new department of law, which will provide a new LLB degree course, starting from October

Baroness Blackstone, Master of Birkbeck College, says: "I am tremendously grateful to the Corporation of London for its support in the establishment of a law department at Birkbeck. We have been aware for a long time of the demand from mature students to study law part-time, and I am delighted that we will now be able to give them a chance to

Rota voters

PERHAPS not surprisingly, a recent Gallup poil for the Law Society found overwhelming support for the duty rota schemes manned by solicitors in courts and police stations. Of 1,015 people questioned,

97 per cent thought that anybody taken to a police station and charged with a criminal offence should have automatic access to a solicitor and about 95 per cent thought that legal representation should be free.

The Law Society is using the survey to strengthen its hand in the long-running battle with the Lord Chancellor's department over fixed fees to come into magistrates' courts in place of the present system of hourly rates.

With the Conservatives reelected, it seems that the society's arguments will continue to fall on deaf ears

aid and to introducing fixed fees by the summer. IT puzzle

BRITISH law firms are still

spending heavily on informaion technology but almost half of them are not able to monitor whether the investment has boosted profitability. according to a survey by the Robson Rhodes management consultants' division.

because the previous govern-

ment was committed to reduc-

ing the spiralling costs of legal

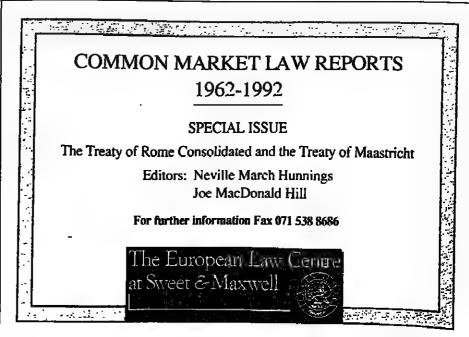
The survey also found that with word processing and other systems to support the administration of the practice now well established, firms are turning their attention to feeearner support systems.

More than one in four of the big law firms is considering such systems and on average 30 per cent of practices already use them.

Jim Sloane, head of management consultancy at Robson Rhodes, says: "Most firms now realise that information technology is not a passing fad and judging by the levels of investment, it is consuming large amounts of partnership finance, even in a recession.

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Brake on boardroom pay

Shareholders have the power to limit the excesses of directors' pay

awards, explains Melanie Tether

he simmering controversy over boardroom pay has come to the boil again. Recent figures from the British Institute of Management show that during 1991 directors of large companies enjoyed pay rises of more than twice the rate of

With corporate profitability in decline, it looks as though many directors are cutting themselves a larger slice of a smaller cake.

Shareholders often suppose that apart from expressing their disapproval at the next annual general meeting, there is nothing they can do to prevent the directors awarding themselves lavish service contracts. It is not widely appreciated that the shareholders may be entitled to revoke these if they are excessively generous.

Although a company's articles of association normally make the board responsible for fixing the terms of the directors' service contracts, the directors have a duty to exercise their powers in the company's best interests. If they abuse them by approving service contracts which benefit the directors rather than the company, the shareholders can set the contracts aside. Shareholders must, however, act promptly; their right to object

may be lost if they delay. Directors' service contracts are most commonly challenged because they entitle the directors to excessive remuneration or make it inordinately expensive for the company to dismiss them. Directors' remuneration may be excessive if it is significantly higher than that of directors in other companies of similar size and profitability or if they are guaranteed huge annual bonuses regardless of the company's performance. Their protection from dismissal may be unreasonable if the company is obliged to continue their employment for unduly long periods or to give them

substantial pay-offs on dismissal. Any dispute about the validity of a director's service contract has to be resolved by the courts. The court will not substitute its opinion for the

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Thanks of the board: Sir Ralph Halpern, former Burton chief executive, received a £1 million a year salary and a £2 million payoff

board's: it will set the contract aside only if it is satisfied that no reasonable board of directors, with the best interests of the company at heart, could have concluded that it

would benefit the company.

When repudiated by the share-holders, service contracts become legally void. This has serious consequences for the individual directors, who will not only be obliged to repay sums already received under the contracts but may also lose the right to receive any recompense for their services. Guinness sued Thomas Ward, a former director. for the return of a £5.2 million fee relating to the takeover bid for Distillers which had been paid to him by a sub-committee of the board with no power to authorise it.
The House of Lords held that Mr

Ward was obliged to repay the entire sum and could not retain a reasonable allowance for the services he had rendered. This was because a director is entitled to remuneration only in accordance with the company's articles of

ourts are likely to apply the same reasoning where a service contract that has been authorised by the board is rescinded by the shareholders. The director who has an excessively generous service contract is not the only person at risk if the shareholders disclaim it. If sums paid out under the contract cannot be recovered, the directors who approved it will be liable to make good the company's loss.

It is often said that shareholders' interests in ensuring that directors' service contracts are fair and reasonable can be adequately protected if the contracts are negotiated by a compensation committee dominated by non-executive directors. But many of the payments that have recently caused raised eyebrows, such as the £1 million a year pay packet and £2 million golden handshake paid to former Burton

safeguard has been adopted. In the United States, the realisation that the use of independent directors to fix executive compensation has not kept the lid on corporate pay led the Securities and Exchange Commission to announce in February that American

director Sir Ralph Halpern, have

occurred in companies where this

shareholders will in future have the right to vote on executive remuner-

Most British companies operate under articles of association that allow the shareholders to contest directors' service contracts only if they can show that the directors have abused their powers. Usually, however, there is nothing to prevent them changing the articles to get greater control over the terms on which directors are employed. From the shareholders' perspective. this could be a more attractive option than resorting to legal challenges that may take years.

The author is a solicitor with Norton Rose. "Directors at Risk", on the legal responsibilities of company directors, is available free from the Norton Rose M5 Group.

Stop talking in tongues

Solicitors must learn to speak the

language of their clients

kerous individualists by A V A nature, happy to spend their lives teasing out knotty legal issues. They need to be regularly reminded that they have real people as clients and that organis-ational efficiency is essential to an effective legal service.

One of the aims of the new professional skills course is to make sure young lawyers absorb these lessons from the very start of their careers. Among an array of impor-tant skills required of the solicitor will be the ability to understand how best to communicate and to see things from the client's

viewpoint.

Effective Interviewing (Blackstone Press, EJ0.95, ISBN 1-85431-167-0). a new book by Helena Twist, director of legal education at Nabarro Nathanson, looks at many of these topics. "A successful interviewer is someone who has developed a repertoire of skills and the ability to put them into practice. You can train yourself to listen more carefully, to observe more closely and to develop different questioning styles," she says.

There is little question that empathy and rapport with one's clients secure their loyalty. "You must learn to be very observant," says Ms Twist. "Your responses and behaviour can sometimes unconsciously skew the relationship."

She recommends that the lawyer,as well as avoiding legal jargon, should build up an understanding of the business terminology of the client. "Too often lawyers seem to think that their task is merely to explain and interpret the law to their clients," she says. 'Unless you understand a client's business, you will not be able to give

effective commercial advice." One of the most difficult situations for lawyers, especially the young or inexperienced, is when the client seems to ignore their advice. Ms Twist says the more confident you appear, the more likely it is that the client will take your advice seriously. Body language can be more important than legal language in building confidence in your client.

Clients being fobbed off with young lawyers is, however, just as much an organisational as a communication problem. It is one that

any solicitors are cantan- is written about by William New bold, recently of Sundridge Park Management Centre and now managing director of Central Law Management, in his book, Organising Lawyers (Chancery Law Publishing, £15, 1SBN 1-85630-003-X).

Mr Newbold gives a variety of examples of the way law firms are now structured and managed. The very diversity and complexity of the arrangements which they have evolved for delivering the same service illustrate the lack of consen-

sus on the best way of doing it. Effective delegation is one of the key principles of good management, so on a routine matter it makes sense for a junior lawyer to meet the client. Clients, however, do not necessarily see it that way



because partner time and attention

is what they want. Squaring that circle is one of the biggest organisational issues facing law firms. It is compounded by the increasing specialisation even with-in medium-sized firms. Specialist expertise may be needed to deal with a particular problem but it can weaken the client relationship. Mr Newbold is clearly committed to the departmental approach to managing law firms, even giving them priority over branches. "I see branches as the outlet for services in the same way as Marks & Spencer's head office treats the stores as outlets in different locations providing varying services but always to a common high quality."

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Visitors passport insufficient

Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Minta

Before Lord Justice Parker, Lord Justice Stuart-Smith and Lord Justice Beldam [Judgment April 8]

A British Visitors Passport was not a passport to which section 3(9) of the Immigration Act 1971 applied. Accordingly, an immigration officer, requiring to be satisfied that a person seeking entry into the United Kingdom was a British citizen, could, but was not obliged to be so satisfied when the only documentary proof tendered was a British Visitors

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by the applicant, John Kwasi Minta, from the decision of Mr Justice Hutchison (The Times June 24, 1991), refusing his application for judicial review.

The applicant maintained that he was John Kwasi Minta Akuamoh, born in the UK on October 11, 1963, as evidenced by a birth certificate, and was therefore a British citizen. He went to Belgium on holiday in August 1988 on a British Visitors Passport (BVP) issued in the name of John Kwasi Minta.

On his return he was refused entry by an immigration officer who was not satisfied that he was a British citizen. He appealed to the adjudicator who re decision stating that the BVP was prima facie evidence of citizen-ship, that the burden was on the Home Secretary to prove that the applicant had obtained a BVP to which he was not entitled and that the Home Secretary had not

The Home Secretary appealed

to the Immigration Appeal Tribunal. They took the point that had the jurisdiction to entertain the appeal because the case fell within section 13(3) of the Immigration Act 1971. The applicant sought judicial reveiw of that decision

Section 3(8) of the 1971 Act requires a person asserting British citizenship to prove it.

Section 3(9) of the 1971 Act, as substituted by section 3(1) of the Immigration Act 1988, provides: "A person seeking to enter the United Kingdom and claiming to have the right of abode there shall prove that he has that right by means of either (a) a United Kingdom passport describing him as a British citizen or as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies having the right of abode in the United Kingdom; or (b) a certificate of entitlement ... certifying that he has such right of

Section 13(3) of the 1971 Act, as substituted by section 3(2) of the 1988 Act, provides: "A person shall not be entitled to appeal on the ground that he has a right of abode in the United Kingdom unless he holds such a passport or certificate as is mentioned in section 3(9) above."

Mr Philip Engelman for the applicant: Miss Alison Foster for the Home Secretary.

LORD JUSTICE STUART-SMITH said that before the judge it was argued for the minister that the only way in which an entrant could establish

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having an unrestricted right to enter was by the production of a full United Kingdom passport describing him as a British citizen, under section 3(9). The judge

accepted that submission.

Miss Foster did not seek to uphold that extreme construction before the court. She accepted that the immigration officer might be satisfied on other evidence whether documentary or oral, that the entrant was a British citizen, but he was not required to do so. Only if the entrant produced a UK passport describing him as a British citizen was he bound to accept it as proof.

In his Lordship's judgment, that was the effect of section 3(8) and 3(9) coupled with the pro-visions of Schedule 2. It would still leave it open to the immigration authority to assert that the full UK passport was either a forgery or stolen or did not relate to the entrant. That was because Parliament had provided that that document and the certificate referred to in section 3(9) were sufficient to constitute proof of

That being so, Miss Foster submitted first that the immigration officer was entitled not to be satisfied that the appplicant was a British cifizen, notwithstanding his BVP, and second that there was no appeal from that decision to the adjudicator since a BVP was not a document which described him as a British citizen as required by section 3(9) and therefore section 13(3) applied. She accepted that the decision of the immigration officer was subject to judicial review but only on well recognised principles. The decision which was based on marked discrepancies in the ap-plicant's account and lack of any convincing description of where he had lived or what he had done in the country could be attacked only if it was irrational and Mr Engelman had not suggested that

Stuart-Smith Like the full national passport, the BVP was issued under the prerogative. But there were two important differences in the procedure for obtaining it.

It could be obtained on application to a post office and not to the passport office and it was not necessary to produce certification of identity by a reputable person who had known the applicant for at least two years and accordingly it was more readily obtainable. His Lordship could not accept

Mr Engelman's submission that a BVP was a passport to which section 3(9) applied. It did not, unlike the full national passport, describe the holder as a British citizen and made it plain that it was not definite evidence of national status, although no doubt in a majority of cases a BVP was

a majority of cases a BVP was accepted by immigration officers as satisfying the onus of proof under section 3(8).

A BVP not being within section 3(9) was the same category as a birth certificate or any other document which might tend to show citizenship but did not necessarily amount to proof of it. For that reason the adjudicator For that reason the adjudicator was wrong in the view he took of

Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Beldam agreed.

Solicitors: Nimoh Akainyah & Co, Camberwell; Treasury Solicitor.

Freedman and Others v Brit-Gavin Lightman, QC, Mr John Whittaker and Miss Bridget Lu-cas for British Rail Board; Mr ish Railways Board and Church Commissioners for

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Taylor and Lord Justice

[Judgment April 9] Land compulsorily purchased in 1846 by the Great Northern Railway Company and which was no longer required for the pur-poses for which it was originally purchased did not have to be first offered for sale back to the successors in title of the original

owners at the 1846 price. The sections of the Great Northern Railway Act 1846 which contained the right of preemption claimed by the succes-sors to the original owners had been repealed and were no longer effective.
The Court of Appeal so held in

allowing appeals by the defendants, British Railways Board and National Carriers Ltd., against the decision of Mr Justice Hoffmann (The Times April 5 1990) that sections 57 and 102 of the 1846 Act enabled the plaintiffs, the special trustees of St Bartholomew's Hospital, and the Church Commissioners, as successors in title of the original owners, to buy back some 52 acres of land at King's Cross, London and rejecting a cross-appeal by the plaintiffs against a decision that they had no right to buy back a further eight acres of

Mr Edward Nugee, QC and Mr Terence Etherton for the trustees: Mr David Lowe, QC and Mr Charles Turnbull for the

Robert Reid, QC and Mr Simon Berry, QC, for National Carriers.

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE said the land was part of an area of about 125 acres on which the defendants planned to build the Channel Tunnel rail terminus and a large commercial

If the judge's decision stood, the financial consequences would be enormous to both sides. For land for which their predecessors were paid full value at the time, the plaintiffs would pocket windfalls

On the other hand if British Rail and National Carriers had to lay out the current value of more than two-fifths of the land required for the development, its cost would be vasily increased and might put the construction of the new terminal in jeopardy.

Section 57 of the 1846 Act applied only to land taken from the hospital, and stated: "And be it enacted, that the whole of the ground which may be com-pulsorily taken by the said com-pany from the said governors of St Bartholomew's Hospital under the provisions of this Act shall be taken within three years from the passing of this Act; and that if at any time or times after the said railway shall be completed any of the said lands so compulsorily taken by the said company shall not be used and required for the pany is hereby incorporated, then and in such case the said railway company shall and they are

hereby required to offer forthwith such land to the said governors at a sum not exceeding the original price paid for the same by the said railway company, and the said governors are hereby authorised at their option to re-purchase the same at such price."

In his Lordship's view the section applied without any time limit to the land purchased from the hospital and the hospital's right of pre-emption still existed unless repealed by subsequent

Section 102 was of general application and stated: "And be it enacted, that if at any time or times after the said railway shall be completed such railway or any part thereof shall from unforeseer circumstances be discontinued. and not used for the purposes of carrying passengers or carrying goods or other traffic, that then and in such case the said railway company shall and they are hereby compelled in the first instance to offer the land whereon such railway shall have been constructed to the original proprietors of such lands purchased for the purposes of making such railway, or their assigns or legal representatives, at a sum not exceeding the original price paid for the same by the said railway

There was no reason to apply any time limit to that clause either. But it did not apply to the eight acres of land which was the subject of the hospital's cross-

In his Lordship's judgment sections 57 and 102 had both been repealed by the British Transport Commission Act 1949

1846 railway land Act repealed cross-appeal failed

LORD JUSTICE TAYLOR agreed that no time limit could be set on either section 57 or section. 102 In his Lordship's view both sections had been repealed by the London and North Eastern Railway Act 1935, although if he was wrong, they had been expressirepealed by the British Transpor Commission Act 1040.

LORD JUSTICE STUART-SMITH considered that section 57 of the 1846 Act was subject to a time-limit of ten years imposed by section 128 of the Land Clauses Consolidation Act 1835 which was incorporated into it

However, section 102 was providing for a right of pre-emption if and when the railway company obtained a power to discontinue and a power to sell from some other statutory power not contained in the 1846 Act Section 102 had been repealed by the 1935 Act and, if not by that Act, by the 1949 Act.

If anyone was to receive a vast windfall, the two plaintiffs were no doubt among the most deserv-ing recipients. But they had each received the full building value of the land in the 1850s and should with proper investment and management stand possessed of investments representing the in-flated value of the land they sold On the other hand, if the plaintiffs had been right, the part with land for which their predecessors paid full value for a mere trifle of its present value.

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Speedy Skimble to earn classic place

FOLLOWING Musicale's victory in the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury, Skimble her regular galloping com-panion on the Heath this spring, is taken to put herself

ervations about Musicale, I thought that she did well in the circumstances. So any filly who can keep up with her in a good work-out is entitled

Importantly, by winning her only race last season Skimble proved that she is not just a good worker at

Midnight Air, who has to give 31b to all her rivals by virtue of race as a two-year-old.

Her form is certainly much

turn out to be the quicker since she won over six furnight Air excelled.

To depict this as a match between the two Warren

race represents a fresh examination after either an injury or enforced absence.

ROBERT Alner's treble at

the Portman point-to-point

on Saturday, his second with-

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2.35 STETCHWORTH MAIDEN STAKES

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A-to-Z has been operated

upon for her wind since last Her trainer, Michael Bell,

reports that if she reproduces some of her homework of last summer she will be capable of winning a group race.
For Cambrian Hills this is

a comeback after jarring both her foreleg joints at Ascot last July when she finished fourth in the Princess Margaret Stakes, having won both her previous two starts. Only the day before,

the successor at Arundel to Salsabil and Shadayid at the time chipped a bone in a fetlock joint. After having an operation for that, she then developed colic and had to be operated

Mahasin, who was seen as

upon twice more within a short period of time. While Soiree and Miznah, who finished sixth and seventh respectively in the Tattersalls Tiffany Highflyer Stakes, should go well, along

with Red Slippers who fin-ished seventh in the Prix Marcel Boussac Longchamp, two places ahead of Perfect Circle, I still feel that today's finish will be dominated by Skimble and

promising stable companions, about whom rather less is known, is napped to win the Constant Security Maiden

According to George Robinson, our Newmarket corres-pondent, this Slip Anchor colt went well enough in a gallop with Aljadeer and King's Loch on Friday to suggest that he is capable of kicking off on the right note. Garah, who sports a fast pedigree by Aidal out of a mare by Thatching, may well prove equal to the task posed by the nchworth Maiden Stakes following a promising bit of

work with the speedy Wave Majed, who will be as hard as nails following successive victories at Folkestone and Hamilton, can capitalize upon that fitness by landing the Ladbroke Handicap. while the Museum Maiden Stakes can go to Yildiz, who made so many friends on her debut at Leicester last

Otherwise, it should pay to follow Willie Carson riding Power Lake (3.40) and Sov-ereign Rock (4.40).

Power Lake, my choice for the Abernant Stakes, was able to keep up with some of the best as a two-year-old.

Blinkered first time

er, 14-year-old Eastern Desti-

ny, in his first point-to-point

for three years, is the one they

all have to beat.

Tertian workout pleases Eddery

PAT Eddery rode Tertian, the 6-1 favourite for the 2,000 Guineas, in a gallop at Evry yesterday. After a satisfactory workout over six-and-a-half furlongs, the pair went two lengths clear of two stable companions.

Afterwards, Eddery, who will be seeking his third win in the colts' classic on the Khaled Abdulla-owned Danzig colt. said: "That was a good bit of work and I was pleased with it." Andre Fabre appears to be

the man in the Guineas driving seat after Lion Cavern's victory at Newbury on Satur-day and also with Steinbeck to represent him in tomorrow's European Free Handicap at Newmarket.

He said yesterday: "At the moment. Tertian is my only definite runner. No decision will be reached about the other two until after the fiveday declaration stage." Although the champion

French trainer certainly holds a strong hand, not one of his colts appears to be outstanding, "I've got some nice milers," he said, "but, like everyone else, I'm trying to guess which one is the best." Informed opinion says that Fabre thinks particularly highly of Rainbow Corner, who beat Seattle Rhyme for second place when runner-up

on at Longchamp on Arc day last October. "He's a very nice horse and a real trier," the trainer went on. "The plan is to go for the Prix de Fontainebleau and

to Arazi in the Grand Criteri-

then for the French 2,000." Tertian remains 6-1 favourite for the Newmarket



Students of form will note

that Cardoun, who won the

Prix Djebel last Friday, had

given 4lb and a three-quarter length beating to Tertian in last November's Prix de Maisons-Laffitte. Visitors to Longchamp next Monday will see Suave Dancer do a one-mile public gallop. The Arc winner will then

return to the Bois de Bou-logne on May 3 for the Prix Ganay. Abdulla's colours were seen to the fore at Nottingham yesterday, when Willie Ryan rode All At Sea to a five-length defeat of Niodini in

the Oh So Sharp stakes. This was an impressive performance and Corals may be erring on the generous side in offering 33-1 against the Riverman filly for the Oaks.

"She's lazy and inexperi-enced," said Henry Cecil, but, if the owner agrees, I'd like to run her in either the Pretty Polly Stakes or the Cheshire Oaks."

Derby agreement honoured

THE Hanson group has agreed to sell Ever Ready to Raiston Purina, the American battery manufacturers, for £132 million, but there is no immediate threat to the sponsorship of the Derby (Michael Seely writes).
"We have received an as-

surance that the new owners will honour Ever Ready's commitment to sponsor the Derby until 1994," said Tim Neligan, managing director of United Racecourses, the group which controls Epsom. Ever Ready has sponsored the Derby for the past eight years, along with the Gold Seal Oaks.

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SERVIVELL PARK

2.30 Diamond Cut. 3.00 Mark Kybo. 3.30 Sand Castle. 4.00 Over And Above. 4.30 Glengriffin. 5.00 The City Minstrel. 5.30 Roxall Clump. THUNDERER

2.30 Diamond Cut, 3.00 Mark Kybo. 3.30 Eddie Kybo. 4.00 Prairie Storm. 4.30 Nothing To Declare. 5.00 The City Minstrel. 5.30 Roxall Clump.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.00 MARK KYBO.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

2.30 AMBERLEY NOVICES HURDLE (£1,165: 2m 2f) (18 runners)

Diamond Cut, 7-2 Ratify, 9-2 Kaytak, 6-1 Kilcash, 10-1

3.00 TRUNDLE NOVICES CHASE (Div I: £1,908: 3m 2f 110yd) (9)

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1 F\$11 MARK KYBO \$1 (F,G) R O'Suliven 8-12-0
D O'Suliven (3)
2 4344 EAST RIVER 106 (C,F,G) G Balding 8-11-8 ... J Frost
3 562P KILLELAN LAD 18 Kin B Wingfield Digby 10-11-2
Mr J Wingfield-Digby
4 -500 MAJESTIC BRUNO 21 N Gasselee 8-11-2 C Lewelyn
6 BUDF NORSTOWN 21 (F,S) R Holder 10-11-2 E Byrne
8 FU22 SUNSHINE FLIGHT 69 Mm F Walvyn 8-11-2
B de Haen
7 /U- AMERICAN GIRL 422 (F,G,\$) D O'Brien 13-10-11
J Kavenegh
8 UPUU GOOSE GREEN 131 R Benneti 12-10-11... W Boerlald
9 -05F GREEN GODDESS 82 S Starwood 8-10-21 A S Smith
18 Mark Kybo. 7-2 Sunshine Flott. 5-1 Fees River, Rich

11-8 Mark Kyto, 7-2 Sunshine Flight, 5-1 East River, 8-1 Norstown, 10-1 Majestic Bruno, 12-1 Killotan Lad, 16-7 others.

3.30 LIDSEY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (Conditional jockeys: £1,660; 2m 6f) (19)

1 ODRF TORKABAR 37F (III) R Holder 7-12-0...... D Matthewe 2 SPS2 EDDIE KYBO 26 (C.F.S) R O'Sullivan 7-11-9 2 SP82 (DDRE KYBO 26 (C.F.S) R O'Sullivan 7-11-9 D O'Sullivan 3 2880 GLEBELANDS GIRL 48 (G.S) R Rows 5-11-6. L Daca 4 P-00 SUNSET SAM 28 (F.S) R Callow 8-11-4..... R Graene 5-64-F MO ICHI DO 08 (E.C.F.C) Man 3 Wilkin 5-11-3

6 DOG4 DONNA DBL LAGO 28 (F) T Casey 5-11-0.
7 40PP FORT WAPPING 6 (B,F,S) A Moore 5-10-12. J Clarke 8 -3P8 PRINCE KLENK 28 (CD,F,G,S) A Devisor 11-10-12

9 -PSP GOLDEN SONATA SE M Margaeridge 7-10-11 - S Fox 10 /PP PLAUSIBLE 54 J Moore 7-10-11 - P Moore (4) 11 -PPP SOLENT LAD 41 (B.F.G.S) B Stevens 9-10-10 12 4536 DESERT PALM 19 (B,D,F,Q) R Hodges 7-10-9

9-4 Eddle Kyto, 4-1 Glebelands Girl, 8-1 Mc loh; Do, 13-2 Sand Caetie, 8-1 Donne Del Lago, 10-1 others.

U Gallagher 4 3232 VINCANTO 36 (CD.P.Q) J Gifferd 10-11-1. D Murphy 5 8PSP SNOWY BONDLAIR 7 (P.Q.S) T Casey 13-11-1 P Varing 5 234P NEVER A PENNY 31 (B,CD,F,S) J Ellott B-109

7 1314 GENERAL MERCHANT 21 (B,CD,F,Q,S) R Hoopes 12-10-2 W Irvine 8 U4PO WINNING DANCER 41 (8) Miss L Bower 9-10-0 2-1 Rosell Clump, 4-1 Vincento, 5-1 Should Never Be, 6-1 General Merchani, 5-1 Silver Carnon, 12-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS Miss S J Wilton, 7 winners from 14 runners, 50% Miss H C Kright, 6 from 12, 50%, M Pipe, 38 from 91, 36 %, J Noore, 3 from 8, 37 5%, A Devison, 6 from 29, 27 6%; Miss B Sanders, 11 from 44, 25% JOCKEYS: G Upton, 4 witness from 14 ndes, 28 6%; Kavanagh, 3 from 11, 27 3%, G McCourt, 9 from 36, 25 7%; WhoFarland, 5 from 20, 25%; J Frost, 14 from 57, 24 6%; Pater Hobbs, 14 from 54, 21 5%.

3.50 VAUX BREWERIES SEDGEFIELD CHAMPION NOVICES CHASE (\$2,950: 2m) (13)

3 5F34 SPREE CROSS 27 (D,S) W A Stephenson 6-11-9

1 2122 JUST FRANKIE 31 (D,F,G) Mre G Reveley 8-11-13 2 6-11 STAGS FELL 186 (CD,F,G) G Moore 7-11-10 J Callaghan

FISEOGEFIELDA

2.15 Belsalsama. 2.45 Full Monty. 3.15 Lecider. 3 50 Stags Fell. 4.20 Paddy Hayton. 4.50 Solid Fuel. 5.20 Imperial Bid.

THUNDERER 2.15 Beisalaama, 2.45 Caxton, 3.15 Ainsty Fox. 3.50 Just Frankle. 4.20 Paddy Hayton. 4.50 Grace

Card. 5.20 Chain Shot. Brian Beel: 4.20 Final Chant.

2.15 JOHN WADE HAULAGE NOVICES CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,484: 2m) (18 runners)

6 1031 PERJURY 41 (V.D.F.S) D Eddy 11-0 P Mren 7 D REMIND AE ON 22 J Wade 11-0 P Mren 8 2132 SOVEREIGN NICHE 22 (CD,G) N MWR 11-0

9 0000 EXTRA HIGH 31 (8) V Thompson 10-12 Mr N Wisson (7)
10 0P OUNTA 33 G Kein 10-12 Mr N Wisson (7)
11 MagDALER 312F T Farmurst 10-9 R Garriny
12 P RABSHA 22 D McCune 10-9 P Wisgoott (7)
13 PPPO SORDIFA 96 Mrs D Cultum 10-9 A Driving
14 PP SORDIFA 97 Mrs N Cultum 10-9 P Wisgoott (7)

3-1 Grey Record, 4-1 Belsalasma, 5-1 Gymcrak Gamble, Perjury, 5-1 Sovereion Niche, 5-1 Kir. 14-1 Sou's Lady, 20-1 others

2.45 BARCLAYS BANK HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,301: 2m 4f) (8)

1 031P STATED CASE 31 (6,C,G,S) M H Easterby 7-12-0 2 0263 TIMURS DOUBLE 8 (F.Q.S) W Sample 11-11-8 3 1230 WAKE UP 33 (F.O.S) R O'Leary 5-11-6 ... P Harley 4 1895 BURN BRIDGE 52 (B.D.F) M Hammond 6-10-7 4 1895 BURN BRIDGE EX (2007) 7 10-7 M Dayer 5 -U46 CAXTON 80 (C.F.S) G Moore 5-10-7... M Dayer 6 4224 FULL MONTY 50 (CD.F) Denys Smith 8-10-0 C Grant 7 3444 CAMDEN KNIGHT 78F (G) N Bycordi 7-10-0 R Modge (5)

8 -004 MO FRILLS 22 (B) J Johnson 7-10-0 ... A Orkney 11-4 Wake Up, 4-1 Stated Case, 9-2 Burn Bridge, 5-1 Timurs Couble, 7-1 (Zecton, Full Monty, 14-1 Camden Knight, 25-1 No Frids. 3.15 reg lamb memorial handicap

CHASE (£2,807: 2m 4f) (10) 1 2F14 GREENHEART 109 (CD,F,G) W A Simplement 3-12-0 2 0102 LACIDAR 27 (CD.F.G.S) J Johnson 12-11-2 T Reed 3 4542 UNEX-PLAINED 8 (CD.G.S) G Moore 9-10-2 J Callaghan 4 FFPP WITHY BANK 12 (D.F.G.S) Mrs S Smith 10-10-1 4 FFFP WITHY BARK 12 (D,F,G,S) M4 3 Smith 10-10-1
5 011U AINSTY FOX 12 (B,CD,F,G,S) B Elect 8-10-0
6 -24P OWD HENRY 105 (F) N Hargreave 9-10-0
7 6PP- DIVINE CHARGER 321 (F) S Leadbether 8-10-0
C Harwidge 8 /P-P EMMET STREET 7 (D.F.G.S) N Miler 12:10:0 9 220F DIRECT INTEREST 132 (F.G.S) Damys Smith 9 10-0

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINERS: T Tale, 5 winners from 15 runners, 33 3%, army Fitzgerald, 16 from 56, 28,6%; M H Easterby, 25 from 90, 27 8%, Mrs V Accelev, 8 from 32, 25%; Mrs G Reveley, 37 from 167, 22.2%, S Leadbelter, 4 from 19, 21 1% JOCKEYS: L. Mullaney, 3 winners from 7 rides, 42 9%, Mr R. Sniels, 3 from 7, 42.9%; G. Bradley, 12 from 42, 28 6%; L. Wyer, 25 from 105, 23 8%. M. Dwyer, 33 from 144, 22 9%, D. Byrne, 12 from 53, 22 6%

10 UPOP DARTINGTON BLAKE 39 J Dooler 8 10-0 Jarvis 11-4 Uner Plamed, 3-1 Greenheart, 7-2 Lacidar, 5-1 Analy Fox, 12-1 Direct Interest, Withy Bank, 18-1 Owd Henry, 20-1 others

9-4 Just Franks, 4-1 Obelek, 9-2 Stags Felt, 6-1 Moorfield Lady, 6-1 Spree Cross, 7-1 Meds Blue, 16-1 Dickle's Gin, 20-1 others

4.20 ZETLAND HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £825: 3m 2f 160yd) (9)

1 511F PADDY HAYTON 11 (CD.F.G.S) S Leadbeller 11-122
R Shinks (5)
RDAMBLE KING & Roberton 10-11-7 B Roberton (7) R S BRAMBLE KING S Robinson 10-11-7 B Rob 3 4-8P FINAL CHANT 33 (F.G.S) D Brydon 11-11-7 4 3/P3 INDIAN MAESTRO 10 Mrs A Swinbank 6-11-7
5 P/32 LORD PURNA 39 (CD,BF,F) M Sovereby 10-11-7
6 4348 THE LADY'S PARTNER 199 (B,F) S Priteridingh (7)
7 6RR- THEPUGOT 449 (B,S) D Pritchard 9-11-7
8 EURO CHERONIC AND THE

8 FU/P CHESNUT AIR 22 Mrs I Hadden 11-11-2 P Richmond (7) 9 /P-3 PALMAHALM 80 (BIF) K Anderson 10-11-2 K Anderson (3)

4-8 Finel Chant, 4-1 Paddy Hayton, 6-1 Lord Purns, 8-1 Palma-haim, 15-1 Indian Maestro, 25-1 Bramble King, 33-1 others

4.50 STANLEY THOMPSON MEMORIAL

NOVICES HURDLE (£1,758: 3m 2f 160yd) (18)

1 1P83 BUCK OWENS 31 (F) J Johnson 7-11-7 A Orkney 2 4/1 GRACE CARD 38 (S) Mrs G Reveloy 6-11-7. P Niven 3 3313 MAN'S BEST FRIEND 24 (BF,S) T Tale 5-11-7

3 3313 MAN'S BEST PRIEND Ze (br.,a) 1 1815 5 11.7
G Brackey
4 -641 SANSOOL 24 (S) A Whitens 611.7 G Thompson (7)
5 434P SHILINSKI 67 (CD,S) G Moore 5-11.7 J Callagnam
8 2233 SOLID FUEL 33 (F) D Moltan 6-11.7 ... D J Moffant (7)
7 00P0 BISHOPSFORD 24 N Wapgort 6-11.0 Miles T Waggort (7)
8 0 CATHGAL 24 V Thompson 7-11.0 K Jones
9 PP0 WELL BRIEFED 24 W A Stephenson 5-11.0 A Larnach (7)
10 3520 BLUEBELL TRACK 24 (B) V Thompson 6-10-9 Mr S Lyons (7)

15-8 Grace Card, 5-1 Man's Best Friend, 6-1 Bluck Owens, Sansool, 7-1 Solid Fuel, 8-1 Mount Alley, 12-1 Shilinski, 16-1 others.

5.20 LEVY BOARD NOVICES HURDLE

1 1003 FOX CHAPEL 6F (D.G) Jemmy F-tzgeraid 5-11-7

1 1003 FOX CHAPEL or (Dioy Service)

2 ARTHUR BEE 8 Bousleid 5-11-0 ... B Storey
3 2-25 CHAIN SHOT 35 (D.F) M H Easterby 7-11-0 L Wyer
4 DEEP ARTISE J.Johrson 6-11-0 ... J Twomey (7)
5 0/0 FUSION 41 R Earnshaw 8-11-0 ... J Twomey (7)
6 F453 LUCKY AGAIN 41 W A Slephenson 5-11-0 C Grant
7 4045 MARNIE'S REFRAIN 50 R Earnshaw 6-11-0 S Mason (7)
K Doolan

Carroll fails fitness test

THE injured jockey John Carroll yesterday failed to get clearance to resume riding at Newmarket today - and faces a race against time to be fit for the plum ride on Paris House at Haydock Park on Saturday.
Carroll, stable jockey to

Jack Berry, broke a collar-bone in a fall at Warwick on March 28. He said yesterday: "I rode

work this morning for the first time and it went fine -

but it was asking a bit much to get to Newmarket." Paris House is due to make his seasonal debut in the Beamish Irish Stout Field Marshal Stakes, which at-

tracted 11 five-day entries yesterday, including Notley-runner-up to Fylde Flyer in Doncaster's Cammidge Trophy last month — and the 1990 Cornwallis Stakes winner, Mujadil.

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MICHARL PHILLIPS

in the classic picture by winning the Shadwell Stud Nell Gwyn Stakes at Newmarket while some harboured res-

to the greatest respect.

Henry Cecil also saddles the fact that she won a group

the more solid. But over seven furlongs Skimble could well longs last season, whereas it was over a mile that Mid-

Place fillies would be misleading though.

For A-To-Z, Cambrian Hills and Mahasin, today's

> Treble takes Alner nearer title POINT-TO-POINT MY BRIAN BEEL champion, Alison Dare,

Midnight Air.

the season to 22 and puts him in a seemingly unassailable Little over four lengths All were easy winners. covered the first four home in Ponteus Pilot (members) and the Grimthorpe Gold Cup at the Middleton. Ocean Day, Seven Of Diamonds (open) both won by 20 lengths, while ridden by Anthea Farrell, stayed on well in the four-mile Lough Guitane had 15

THUNDERER

2.35 Venture Capitalist. 3.10 Midnight Air.

4.40 MARABELLA

STAR (nap). 5.10 Leif The Lucky.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 ALHAMAD (nap), 2.35 Garah, 3.10 Skimble.

BETTING: 10-17 Alhamad, 4-1 hywam, 8-1 Gleisdels, 8-1 Baher, 12-1 Hidden Light, 16-1 Dime Beg, Quedri-reme, 20-1 Prince Periolog 1991: YOUNG BUSTER 9-0 G Carter (9-4) G Wragg 9 ren

FORM FOCUS

1991: PARIOS 9-0 B Raymond (33-1) J Payne 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

2.00 Alhamad.

having to be staged to cope with all the declared runners. tightened her hold on this year's trophy at the same Today, given the more meeting with a double through Fleetline For Pine and Grademount. favourable ground conditions, the sun may set at Ashorne before proceeding ends. Entries here for the PPOA total 342. In the Land Rover qualifi-

race to win by a length. It was almost Sunday morning when racing fin-

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

TODAY'S MEETING: Point-to-Point Owners' Crub, Ashorne, four miles south of Warwick (first race 2.00). ished at the United, 11 races 3.40 ABERNANT STAKES (Listed race: £10,234; 8f) (8 runners) RICHARD EVANS

2.00 Albaqued.

maiden at Goodwood (71, good) QUADRIREME 8H1 10th of 18 to Manool in a maiden at Doncaster (71, good to firm).
RAGAMUFFIN ROMEO 1th 3rd of 11 to Common Council in a maiden at Lingfield (AW, 1m, standard). DIME BAG 741 5th of 18 to Anlace in a maiden at Lecaster (71, good to firm).
Salection: ALHAMAD

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2.35 Garah. 4.40 MARAHELLA

401 (8) 120/101- CASE LAW 283 (CD,F,G) (Mrs D Thompson) M Prescott 5-9-9... G Dullielid 9 94
402 (7) 11481- 9NAADEE 157 (D,F,G,S) (M Al Makloum) M Stoute 5-9-9... G Dullielid 9 94
403 (4) 111/325- CHICARICA 275 (CD,G,S) (Shelch Mohammed) J Goeden 4-9-7. 5 Caultiem 97
404 (3) 14900-3 LETESECONESTABOUTIT 26 (B,D,F,S) (S Rootal Mrs N Macassiey 8-9-6 D Holland 405 (2) 495065- SIR HARRY HARDMAN 218 (B,D,G,S) (F Hobbs) F Lee 4-9-6... M Roberts 406 (6) 01280- LEE ARTISTE 238 (D,P) (E Jemeson) P Cole 4-9-4... T Outron 91
407 (6) 24315-1 FULDE FLYST 24 (D,F,G,S) (Belolpool Gazetts 5-Heindl Ltd) J Berry 3-8-10 L Piggott 50
408 (1) 102143- POMBR LAKE 186 (F,G) (A Sudge (Equine) Ltd) R Hennon 3-8-3... W Carson 86

BETTING: 11-4 Chostica, 3-1 Sneadee, 7-2 Power Lake, 4-1 Case Law, 12-1 Fyide Flyer, 14-1 Lee Arb 20-1 Sir Hurry Hardman, 33-1 Letabponestabount

1991; CABE LAW 4-9-2 G Duffield (8-1) M Prescott 12 ran FORM FOCUS

CASE LAW best Fursiet a short head in a 12-runner sted race at Sandown (5f, good), and best Elbo '2i lat this race (12 runners) lest year (pood to firm), with SIR FARRY HARDMAN 3'd) Stin SINADEE best Git Throne 2i in a 12-runner listed race at Doncaster (6f, good to soft), with LETSBEONESTABOUTTI (6f, 13 fbm, CHICARICA 6'ld Sim of it to Polish Petriot in the group it Carrol Foundation July Cup, here (6f, good in my Previously a short-head 2nd of 16 to Polish Petriot in the group it Cork & Orrery Stakes at

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4.10 LADBROKE HANDICAP (£7,635: 1m 2f) (13 runners)

FORM FOCUS

PHARLY STORY best Tenz 2th in a 10-runner handscap at Leicester (1m 41, firm). GRAND HAWK 112nd of 6 to Hambury High m is maden at York (1m, good to soft). RIVE_JUMELLE 451-3th of 23 to My good, LABURNUM 3th 3th and at 5 to Lok m is handscap at Redox (1m 21, good to firm). STATAJACK 41 long 2th in a 15-runner handscap at Peikestone (1m 3th of 13 to Montpelers Boy in a handscap at York on penultemete start (1m 11, good to firm) MAJED beat

4.40 CHRIS BLACKWELL MEMORIAL HANDICAP

FORM FOCUS

MARABELLA STAR beat Well Appointed 3'st in a 15-runner mastery at York (71, good to firm) NEO-CLASSICAL beat Slight Risk Bi in a 5-runner master at Yarmouth (71, good) BEWARE OF AGENTS beat Venture Capitalist a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (76, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (81, soft) FRAGO-NARID beat Kenyarta 11 in an 8 runner master at Ayr (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Ayr (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Armouth (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) Sandard (AW, 71 standard) Sandard (AW, 71 standard) Sandard (AW, 71 standard) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SOVEREIGN ROCK beat Sonderse a head in a 15-runner master at Yarmouth (71, good to firm) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SAND TABLE '91 3rd of 14 to Early Star in a handscap at Southwell (AW, 71 standard) SAND

5.10 MUSEUM MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,366: 1m 2f) (16 runners)

C Dwyer --000- DON'T FORSAKE ME 168 (Lord Cinton) D Morley 8-9
43- TRADITION 168 (Lord Rotherwick) Major W Hern 8-9
3- YILDIZ 183 (S Mino) B Hills 8-9

1991; WAKASHAN 9-0 S Cauthen (6-4 fav) H Cecil 14 ran FORM FOCUS

LEIF THE LUCKY 7%1 4th of 16 to Aljadeer Newbury at (1m. good). RAINRIDGE 's1 2nd of 10 to Trafalgar Boy in a maiden at Haydoot, (1m. good to soft). STEEL MIRROR S¼1 4th of 22 to For Reg in a maiden at Doncaster (7f. good to soft), with DANCING DANCER 9f 11th TRADITION 41 3rd of 15 to Pabouche in a maiden at Lecester (1m. firm)

with DON'T FORSAKE ME 3 7th YILDI2 114 3rd of 14 to Sea Cover in a maiden at Lexcester (7f. good to firm).
BELGRAN & a \$145,000 half brother to a grade it winner in the United States BLESSINGTON is a \$300,000 Alydar coll out of a 61 winner is Selection: LEIF THE LUCKY

BETTING: 5-2 Beigran, 3-1 Blessington, 5-1 Lef The Lucky, 7-1 Tradition, Yildiz 10-1 Rainnage, 12-1 others.

MIDNIGHT AIR was disqualified and placed last after beating Culture Vulture ail in the 7-numer state beating Culture Vulture ail in the 7-numer state placed by the state of t

COURSE SPECIALISTS Winners Runners Percent JOCKEYS

CLAYBANK 134l 3rd of 11 to Hazm in a maden at Sandown (5f. good to him) FOREST LAW 2l 3rd of 7 to Fair Crack in a maiden at Newbury (5f. good so SADDLEHOME 235l 2ad of 4 to Taufan Bu an a maiden at Newbury (5f. good to soft). WER Of Agents in a maiden at Newbury (5f. good to soft). WER Of Agents in a maiden at Doncaster (6f. good to soft). 3.10 SHADWELL STUD NELL GWYN STAKES (Group III: 3-Y-O fillies: £22,869: 7f) (11 runners)

11-4 Skimble 3 1 Midnight Air, 4-1 Solree, 6-1 Red Slippers, 8-1 Miznah, 10-1 Perfect Circle, 1991. CRYSTAL GAZING 8-12 L Dettori (5-4 fav) L Cumani 5 ran **FORM FOCUS**

TRAINERS 5 Cauthen W Carson W R Swinburn Par Eddery M Hills L Detteri 28 9 26 7 20 9 20 6 19 5 19 0

Couples challenged to assume Watson mantle

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

FRED Couples left only one question unanswered when he won the Masters at Augusta National here on Sunday: is he destined to become the first truly dominant American golfer since Tom

In the last decade the likes of Ben Crenshaw, Larry Mize, Jeff Sluman, Payne Stewart, Curtis Strange, Bob Tway and John Daly have all wrestled with the prospect of inheriting Watson's mantle.

Watson won five Open Championships, two Masters and the US Open and will be remembered as one of the genuine American superstars, along with Bobby Jones. Walter Hagen, Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Sam Snead, Arnold Palmer and

By winning his first major, Couples has only begun. He must go on and win many more major championships if he is to dominate American golf as Watson once did.

The evidence suggests that Couples can do this because he has the perspicacity to live with the responsibility of being a role model. He exudes warmth, his behaviour is FRED POURIES IN 1882 280 - 8 \$41,000 337 - 23 \$32,225 277 - 11 \$15,437 207 - 9 \$7,155 269 - 15 \$180,000 273 - 15 \$123,200 273 - 15 \$18,000 269 - 19 \$160,000 269 - 19 \$160,000 269 - 19 \$160,000 269 - 19 \$160,000 273 - 13 \$270,000

derful rapport with the

He has already shown he has the will to overcome adversity. Tom Weiskopf, the former Open champion, took Couples to task several years ago for having "no goals in

Couples digested the criti-cism, which he called totally insane, and determined to prove Weiskopf, and the other sceptics, wrong. He accepted that for two years after winning The Players Championship in 1984, he wasted his talent. He fell from seventh in the US Tour moneylist to 76th in 1986.

Even so, as he slowly climbed back, he appeared unable to handle pressure. At the 1989 Ryder Cup, he missed the green with a nineiron to lose a match he should have won. It cost the United States a famous win. It was there that his friend-

Richardson (G.S), E3, 75, 70, 71; P Azzrger, 70, 73, 70, 72; B Langer (Ger), 68, 73, 69, 74; B Faxon, 71, 71, 93, 74, 286 M McCumber, 72, 70, 76, 69; S Ekington (Aus), 89, 71, 74, 72; C Montgomeris (GS), 72, 71, 73, 70; R Mackate, 70, 73, 70, 73; A Lyte (GS), 72, 69, 70, 76; 297 J-M Olszelbal (Sp), 76, 69, 72, 70; R Galder, 72, 71, 73, 71; W Marylarr, 71, 71, 72, 73; J Nicklaus, 69, 75, 69, 74, 289 H Fwan, 72, 70, 72, 75 290 T Watson, 73, 70, 76, 71; B McCallister, 71, 71, 75, 72; W Wadkins,

71, 77.
294 M Zerman (SA), 70, 71, 76, 77; S
Ballestarce (Sp), 75, 99, 70, 81.
295 T Purizan, 76, 69, 75, 75; P Jecobseni, 72, 70, 77, 76.
301 R Davis (Aus), 77, 68, 77, 79.
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ship with Raymond Floyd, then the US captain, began. The couple were to be partners in the 1991 Ryder Cup. in which they were unbeaten. But it was at an invitational team tournament in 1990. which they won, that Floyd brought home to Couples the importance of good course "Freddy didn't manage his game very well and he made

mental errors on the course," Floyd said. "In that tournament I didn't let him do it" The irony, of course, was that as Couples compiled his final round of 70 on Sunday

for a total of 285, 13 under par, so Floyd had to accept being runner-up for the second time in three years. Floyd, however, was there embrace Couples as he

BONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, F Couples (US). 18.41pts average; 2, N Faldo (GB), 15-36; 3, J-M Olazábal (Sp.). 15-01; 4, S Ballesteros (Sp.). 14-58; 5, 1 Woossem (GB), 14-28; 6, B Langer (Ger), 13-58; 7, G Norman (Aus), 12-37, 8, P Stavent (US), 10.97; 9, P Azinger (US), 9-69; 10, M McNutty (Zim), 8-47.

strolled in his nonchalant way off the 18th green as the first American winner of the Masters since 1987. "I predicted FINAL SCORES AND DETAILS FROM AUGUSTA

Australia, faded with a 78. He felt the gallery was on the side of Couples, which it was, but that was only to be expect-SEVERIANO Ballesteros took seven shots and Nick Feldo and lan Woosnam both five to help make the 12th hole the toughest in the test round of the Masters. At 155 yards, it was the second hardest hole of the week with a stroke average of 3.196. The tenth, a 485-yard par four that averaged 4.237 over the four days, was the toughest.

Bernhard Langer, George Archer and Blaine McCallister all had eagle threes at the 15th (500 yards) on Sunday, it was the easiest hole of the day and of the week, with an average score of 4.663, compared to 4.642 at the par five 13th. ed. Parry will learn from the experience. For the first time since Nick

Faldo won the Open in 1987. a British golfer does not own one of the four major championships. Ian Woosnam, Sandy Lyle and Faldo came to grief in the final round. Woosnam was happy it was over, Faldo had reason to feel frustrated. He had a five-foot putt for a birdie at the 9th that would have taken him to within one shot of the lead. missed, lost a ball at the next

this," Floyd said. "One day he will be known as a really great player. He has a putting stroke like me. He drifts the ball instead of hitting it firm. He has the game to win this tournament as many times as a Nicklaus or a Palmer." That might be optimistic, as Nicklaus has six Masters titles and Palmer

Couples has won six of the 24 tournaments in which he has played since the US Open last June. He now has a commanding three-point lead in the Sony world Couples remained so com-

posed on the last nine holes, where so many have capitulated, that I am convinced he is capable of winning several major championships. He has played well in the Open. finishing third last year and fourth on two other occasions, and will be a contender at Muirfield in July.

He will prepare himself for the US Open at Pebble Beach

He intends to spend this week relaxing at home in Palm Beach, Florida, where he lives with his wife. Deborah. She will go back to work, training polo ponies, teaching tennis, collecting antiques and running an interior decorating business. He will go to sleep.

On Sunday, Craig Parry, of

LORD'S (first day of four): England A have scored 329 for four wickets against Essex AFTER a winter in the sun facing a battery of four fast England A bassmen, particularly Darren Bicknell, found

a return to cold, blustery Lord's deeply reassuring yes-terday. Bicknell celebrated seeing the ball pitching regularly in his half of the pitch by unveiling an array of classic drives on his way to the season's first century. Morris, Moxon, who finally took up his captaincy of the team having missed the win-

ter tour through injury, and, at the close, Johnson and Thorpe all profited on a day which had little going for bowlers. Moxon's win of the toss condemned Essex to a miserable day in the field. Anyone who doubts the ec-

centricity of the English only needs to attend Lord's on the season's opening day. Yester-day's earliest start this century brought out a rich seam of eccentrics, men in anoraks carrying duffle bags of sandwiches, sou'westers and the new Wisden, tacking strenu-

down Wellington Road, to sit, hunched up, on the open seating. At least, they saw a fairly full day, a good one within the limitations set by stiff joints, cold fingers, a slow wicket and a pitch so close to the Tavern that Garnham. the wicketkeeper, could have exchanged banter with its

Gale force: Moxon turns the ball to leg during a windy start to the season for Essex at Lord's

habitues. None of those reservations worried Bicknell and Morris, who only two weeks ago were being examined closely by the West Indies A team quartet. Foster, Pringle and Ilott were a lot less threatening, and after one or two early edges, and one loud leg-before appeal, against the new ball,

Essex shiver on a day for

eccentrics and Bicknell

By Peter Ball

ously into a force nine gale

they progressed comfortably.
The 100 came up in 31 overs, soon after Morris had reached his 50 off 85 balls. There seemed no reason why they should not be batting still until Morris flashed hard at Pringle, and Waugh took a spectacular leaping catch, one-handed high to his left. A good catch in July, it was

barely credible in midwinter. Bicknell had been slower to his fifty but he took over the

dominant role while Moxon

ing. Bicknell hit one six and 18 fours, most driven through the offside, continuing where he left off last season, when he scored five championship centuries. He too looked set for the

took a good look at the bowl-

duration until he top-edged a pull off Waugh. Garnham took the catch, running backwards towards fine leg.

Essex's bowling was generally tidy if rarely much more, and they received further encouragement from Ramprakash, who looked as if he would rather be elsewhere ina brief stay before being legbefore in an indeterminate stroke. With his own century beckoning. Moxon fell to Gooch, who had three spells presumably to keep warm.

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Fraser's fitness stands up

ANGUS Fraser, who bowled only 39 first-class overs for Middlesex last season, is likely to play in their opening Sunday league match against Leicestershire on Easter Day

Ivo Tennant writes). The hip joint injury that also caused him to miss England's winter cricket has not troubled him during pre-season training in Portugal.

His fitness will be important to his county since Ricardo Ellcock, who also hardly played last year, has an-nounced his retirement on medical advice. Despite two operations, he suffers pain from a cracked vertebra.

Elicock, aged 26. first played for Worcestershire ten years ago when still a school-boy. After joining Middlesex 1989, he was chosen by England for their 1990 tour of West Indies but returned home without bowling a ball. His 117 first-class wickets cost 29.01 apiece.

A master who never choked

THE table-flat green of the 400-yard 17th hole, the Firethorn, is one of the few the ball does not wilfully glide around like a marble on ice. Fred Couples, who is as agreeably American as James Stewart and has the huge gallery aching for his success as it swells behind him over the few final holes. makes his short iron approach safely to 40ft from the pin.

Every hole of the Masters is radically different. The 17th, at the eastern side of the course, has a contradictory quality at the climax of the fourth day. As a buttermilk sun bathes the fairway, and the tall firs behind the green take on an almost luminous velvet shade, the mood of peace can be illusory. As Couples addresses the ball, holding a two-shot lead over Ray Floyd, his mentor, aged 49, who has aiready left the 18th green. his bloated shadow stretches 30ft or so almost to the hole. He marginally misreads the line.

The first putt roles five feet past. The gallery is motionless. Four thousand breaths are held while he considers the short one back. Thirty thousand more out of view wait in doubt. This is the man they have said is a choker.

He crouches, shades his

THE DAY OF MILLIER ON A RIGHTS 124-1-

feet, lets go the brief penduhum swing. The ball drops. Couples straightens with an inaudible sigh, and the small gesture with his right hand says it all - "I didn't fluff." One to play, and five shots for the Green Jacket. Here is not carnival, but a microcosm of life itself.

For six holes, this gentle man has lived on the brink of triumph, yet there is not an ounce of tension visible in his body. He has the supple movement and balance of Gene Kelly, a swing that is as beautiful as a reed bending in the wind. He makes a difficult game look so easy - even when, at the short 12th, the ball has hovered on a bank above Rae's Creek, a few blades of grass and two feet from catastrophe

He walks from the tee trying to contain a nervousness he will maybe never again know, half expecting the ball to slide out of sight before he can reach it. The biggest break of my

life," he will say later. "Unbelievable that it stayed up." And he chips close to the hole and saves the par three. Floyd, meanwhile, has closed two shots, with birdies at the 14th and

eyes as he studies the line: 15th. The heat is on. stands, pauses, adjusts the Couples's drive to the dogleg par five 13th leaves him slightly obscured behind a pine. He plays safe to 130 yards out beyond the burn, then pitches perfectly to 14ft. As he shapes for the birdie putt, the bank of azaleas curis round the green behind him like the back-

> rolls six inches past for par. A glorious pitch to the 14th, the ball checking and rolling left downhill to within three feet, releases a throaty roar. Couples holes, regaining a two-stroke lead. At the 15th, chipping short from just off the

cloth of some princely medi-

eval court. In the hush, he



women, they just can't stop trying to catch his eye," Herbert Warren Wind of the New Yorker murmurs. as Couples asks a blonde girl, pressing against the ropes two yards from his 16th tee shot, to keep still. Another safe position on the green, another par. On to the 17th, and then the final uphill drive to the 18th that will be the final test of the nerve of the man who has never won a major. He is bunkered to the left,

the way Lyle was four years ago. He lifts the ball high, and the sound as it drops pin-high 30ft to the right is simultaneously a cry of ac-claim and relief. Fred Couples has a 150-yard walk to fame: he can three-putt and win the Masters. And the only thought drumming his brain as he slowly ascends the fairway between the ranks of jubilant Americans

is "it's over". He putts — after an interminable delay for crowd clearance from his partner's obstructed approach — to within three inches.

Was he not a great player asks? "I couldn't care less," Couples replies with an un-affected smile. We knew, and probably he knew, that either way, yes, he is as fine a player as they come.

West Indies build up their bowling

FROM RICHARD STREETON IN PORT OF SPAIN

WEST Indies have strengthened their fast bowling by including Courtney Walsh and the uncapped Kenneth Benjamin among 13 players named for the Test match against South Africa, which starts in Barbados on Easter Saturday. Harper and Cummins have been dropped from the players who won the one-day series 3-0.

Walsh, who is 29 and has taken 174 wickets in 50 Test matches, was always expected to return for this game. He missed the World Cup and the one-day matches with South Africa because of a suspect throwing arm in the field. He has been at his best this season in the domestic Red Stripe Cup when he took a record 36 wickets as he led Jamaica to victory in the competition.

Benjamin, aged 25, earned his recognition by taking 17 wickets in the three unofficial Test matches against England A in March. Christeneti Kenneth Charlie Griffith, he is unrelated to Winston Benjamin, his fellow-Antiguan, who is also in the side.

It seems unlikely that Kenneth Benjamin will play, but he has been given the opportunity to sample the big match atmosphere. The same applies to Jimmy Adams, the Jamaican left-handed batsman, who retains his place in the squad after failing to get a match in the one-day series. Both figure in the selectors' plans, presumably, for West Indies' overseas commitments in 1992-3. David Williams wins his first Test cap as West Indies wicketkeeper. South Africa will not an-

nounce its side until Friday. Pringle, who is expected to share the new ball with Donald, should be fit after badly bruising a shoulder in a lighthearted frolic on the beach. Wessels (bruised wrist) and Rhodes (strained thigh) are also recovering well. .

David Holford, the West

Indies manager, voiced many people's opinion about the one-day successes when he said: "It seems the South Africans went to the World Cup on such a wave of emotion they played above their true potential. Now they have fallen back to their true form."

WEST INDRES (from): R B Richerdson (capitaln), D L Haynes, B C Lene, P V Stramons, K L T Arthurton, C L Hooper, D Williams, C A Waish, W K M Benjamin, C E L Ambrose, B P Patterson, J C Ademe, K C is Goffien.

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R B Richardson not out 37
K L T Arthurton not out 11 Extras (fb 7, nb 2, w 4) BOWLING: Pringle 5-3-6-1; Bosch 6-0-47-0; Sneil 10-2-45-1. Van Zyl 10-0-40-0; Kuiper 7-0-28-1; Kuraten 5-0-17-0.

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2.40 (Sr) 1, Two Moves in Front (G Carler, 5-1), 2, Peadie Peat (4-1); 3, Royal Folly (6-11 Stardust Express) 3-1 for 10 ran 14t, nk. J Berry, Tole: £5 70; £2 03, £2.30, £2.00, DF. £45.30, CSF: £25 32
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1130. CSF £422.
4.10 (1m 16/d) 1, Lazy Bhythm (F. Norton, 5-1), 2. Errema (7-2 (av), 3. Staton Express (4-1) 4 Tequila Gold (20-1) 16 ran, Hd, 1½1, 8. Akehurst. Tote. £15 00. £4 10. £1 30. £2 30. £3.0 DF £20.50 CSF: £25 63 Tricast. £78.90.
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Huntingdon

Going: good to firm; firm after race 2 2.20 (2m 100yd hdis) 1, Skomal (B Cirlord, 12-1), 2 Ergans (B-1), 3, Fighting Days (B-1); 4, Lovely Lizzle (33-1).

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3.20 (3m 1f hote) 1, Keepotf-The-Grass (R Supple, 2-1 fav), 2, Ragtime (11-4); 3, Master William (10-1), 9 nsn. NR. Ashroid Copes, Par Avion. 41, 1½1, J Upson. Tote: £3.30; £1.20, £1.10, £2.40. DF. £3.80, CSF- £7.47.

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4.50 (2m 4t ch) 1, Fiddle A Little (D Murphy, 4-1); 2, Avonbum (5-1); 3, Rein de Tout (83-1), Palm Reader 3-1 fav 1 ran NR: Bill And Coup, Can't Discloses. 11, 1½: F Murphy, Tole: \$4.60; \$2.00, \$2.50. \$1.50. DF \$12.80. CSF: \$26.08 Tricast: \$565.50.

2565.50.
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22.70 DF. £3.50. CSF: £13.57.

Chelsea's record gives Rangers scope to tie

GROUND advantage does and Liverpool. Tottenham, not count for so much in derby matches, which is one reason why I am taking Queen's Park Rangers and Wimbledon to force draws at Chelsea and Tottenham respectively. Chelsea's mediocre record at Stamford Bridge will encourage Rangers, who have done well on their

rravels. Wimbledon, with eight away draws, can make it nine against Tottenham, whose home defeats are into double figures. Wimbledon have won three times at White Hart Lane since being promoted to the first division in 1986 and their recent victims include Nottingham Forest

however, have improved and can take a point.

Blackburn Rovers have stumbled alarmingly after looking certainties for promotion a few weeks ago. They can at least stop the rot by drawing at home to Leicester City, who have climbed above them into third place.

Perhaps the fixture with the greatest draw potential is Sutton United v Woking in the Diadora League premier division. Woking, who are assured of promotion to the GM Vauxhall Conference, may take their foot off the accelerator and Sutton, in third place, are equipped to take advantage.

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☐ Vince Wright

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Youthful party picked for New Zealand

Steele is recast in supporting role on England B tour

BY DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Steele, whose maturhave been trying to play, you ing skills at stand-off half have been so influential in Northampton's rise towards the top of the English dub tree this season, has been invited to play second fiddle to Ian Hunter, his club colleague, on England's B tour of New Zealand this summer.

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The irony will not escape Hunter, the full back who has been used so much as a wing in England squads. However he has been an effective contributor from full back to England's unbeaten 1992 B season and was the only specialist named in a party of 30 yesterday for the eight-match tour, which begins on June 1.

Steele is one of three standoff halves, alongside Stuart Barnes, the tour captain, and Neil Matthews, from Gloucester, Graham Smith. the tour manager, said he had spoken about playing full back to Steele, who was happy with the situation. "The fact that he is an outstanding place-kicker was born in mind and when you consider the sort of rugby we

DESPITE the misgivings

generated by the political un-

certainty in South Africa, the International Rugby Football

Board (IRFB) council now

meeting in New Zealand is

likely to award the 1995 Rug-

by World Cup to the republic.

Australia, England, Argenti-

na and Italy committed to

support South Africa and

with the other countries sym-

pathetic to the bid it looks as

if only Wales will oppose the

With Scotland, France,

can see how our minds have

been working," Smith said. He emphasised the versatility in the party, notably at prop and in the back row. It is the aim to give every tour member two games in the first four matches before settling into the most effective combination for the two "internationals" at Hamilton and Pukekohe.

It is a young party, since the selectors have not chosen such seasoned international players as Andy Robinson. Nigel Redman and David Egerton, and 13 others were unavailable. I hope they will not regret the absence of such as Robinson and since Steve Bates was not available, I would have been tempted to invite Marcus Hannaford, from Gloucester, to be one of the two scrum halves.

"The aim is not necessarily to win every game ... but if we come back with five or six players who demand consideration, who look capable of making the big step to senior international level, I think the

S Africa awaits cup call

By Chris Thau

tatives to vote for South Afri-

ca, while the French IRFB

delegate and World Cup di-

rector, Marcel Martin, con-

firmed that France will back

Dudley Wood, the Rugby

the application.

tour will have been a success,"

Three of the party, Andrew Harriman, Mark Russell and Kardooni, have been recovering from injury and will be expected to play some form of rugby before the season's end.

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BOXING

Ribalta unable to take his cue

BY SRIKUMAR SEN

JOSE Ribalta, the man Frank Bruno faces in the secand contest of his comeback at Wembley on April 22, left the hype-men struggling for words when he mer them

Everybody knew Ribalta, a former world contender, had been brought over by the promoter, Micky Duff, to make Bruno look a little more convincing in victory than the time he bombed out John Emmen, of The Netherlands, in one round. Ribalta was what they call "a name opponent".

Everyone also knew that sure, things had gone wrong in the past with Bruno, as when James "Bonecrusher" Smith and Jumbo Cummings came over.

If only the big Cuban would say something to dispel the view that he would not last more than a few rounds with Big Frank. If only the big Cuban would come up with the punchline. If only ... but Ribalta kept slipping leading questions as if they were Bru-no left-leads. His answers were not only boxing cliches, but ones that had not even collected dust on the shelf.

There was the sparring partner whose nose he had broken last week, Russell Watson, the next white hope, according to Ribalta's man-ager, Felix Pintor. Despite a deep cut across the bridge of his nose. Watson was still going to carry on sparring.
This is the best Jose has ever looked," he said. This was more like it. Then came the best one of all: this was a

grudge fight.

Back in 1989, Bruno had got in the way of a world title bout with Mike Tyson. Ribalta wanted to thank Micky Duff for giving him the opportunity to pay Bruno back. Broken nose, white tiques dealers in the States hate to say, "So what's new?"

Pitcher portrait: Matt Young, of the Boston Red Sox, yields no hits for eight innings on Sunday but seven walks enable the Cleveland Indians to win 2-1

TABLE TENNIS

Parker's protest is upheld

BY RICHARD EATON

DONALD Parker, the England manager, already certain of winning a European championship medal with his men's team for a third successive time, also won a protest about the timing of the match against Sweden. the world champions, in Stuttgart yesterday.

Parker complained that the match in the other group between Germany and France took place later than England's. This, potentially,

gave the home team, already certain of qualifying for a medal, the opportunity of seeing who won and to pick their semi-final opponents, by losing to France if necessary. France had to beat Germany if they were to prevent Belgium qualifying instead.

"This all seemed quite unfair to me and I'm glad to say the organisers agreed," Parker said. "It meant moving our match an hour and a half later, but that's fine."

The England women's team was left to play for positions five to eight instead of battling to avoid relegation, thanks largely to world-class performances from Lisa Lomas

She followed her victory over the European champion. Daniella Guergeltcheva, of Bulgaria, by beating the European No. 3, Wang Xiao Ming, thus clinching England an unexpected 3-1 suc-

TACHTING

IN BRIEF

Conner to sail off for final

The walkover win by America³ over Kanza yesterday has left Kanza and Dennis Conner's Stars & Stripes to sail off to determine the second America's Cup defender finalist. Yesterday's victory assured America³ of a place in the final.

The forecast for the sail-off. ten to 15 knots raising 2ft seas on a 3ft swell off San Diego, should suit Kanza.

Belles on course

Football: Four-times women's FA Cup winners and premier division champions. Doncaster Belles, stayed on course for the double when they won through to meet Red Star Southampton in the final of the cup at Tranmere Rovers on April 25.

Hearing on fights

Rugby league: Gary Spencer, of Wakefield Trinity, and Steve Snape, of Swinton, will appear before a disciplinary committee on Thursday after brawls disrupted the match between the sides on Sunday.

Five newcomers

Bowls: Five new caps - Ann Hayward, Beny Mackerness, Win Sowerby, Sheila White and Jean Evans — are in the England women's team for the international series at Bournemouth in July.

Argentina's title

Polo: Argentina beat Chile 12-7 in Santiago to win the third world handicap championship, while England defeated the United States 10-9 to take the bronze medal.

Ashley ambition

Boxing: The retirement of Graziano Rocchigiani, the European light-heavyweight champion. has meant Crawford Ashley, of Britain, will meet Fabrice Tiozzo, of France, for the vacant title.

Berlin joins race

Olympic Games: Berlin officially entered the running to host the 2000 Games yesterday, joining Peking, Brasilia, Istanbul, Manchester, Milan, Sydney and Tashkent.

HATTIESBURG, Mississippi: Mr

Tollingment: Leading traus scores (Len), 67, 67, 68, 67, 286; R Zaket (Can), 67, 67, 69, 67, 286; R Zaket Nood, 67, 65, 68, 67; 7 Wides, 55, 68, 65, 69; M Densid, 68, 52; 77, 71; M Nicolette, 71, 64, 64, 69, 266; J Renner, 68, 66, 69, 63; M Tachetter, 70, 64, 71, 64; M Dewson, 67, 69, 70, 64; F Connor, 89, 68, 68, 68.

TOKYO: Men's tournament: Leading-final soores (Japan unless stated): 202: C Tze-ming (Tatwan), 59, 57, 65 205: A Yokoyane, 65, 72, 65 N Serizawa, 67, 70, 68; 5 Fujiki, 64, 71, 70; K Murota, 69, 65, 70; H Myese, 67, 67, 71; K Suzuki, 65, 66, 72 British soore: 216: P Hoad (GB), 71, 72, 73.

TAIPE: Talwan Open: Laading final scores (Tarwan unless shatod): 27:: Lin Chin-Inslang, 74, 68, 74; C McCletten (US), 70, 78, 72; T Hamiton (US), 70, 71, 76. Lin won play-off at first extra hole 218: T Fernice (US), 71, 70, 71; Hase Nyahu, 71, 71, 76; Lee Wen-eheng, 70, 70, 78.

Bill Hogg, the Scottish hope, grudge fight, the stuff of boxing promotions. As anland, Ireland and France, would have to enter the quali-Rugby Union secretary, an-As the host nation, South nounced that Scotland has

BADMINTON GLASGOW: Phungton Gless European one, sub-group B: Scottand 0 Sweden 3 (Scottand name frist: A Gibeon lost to C Bengtsson, 4-11 2-11; J Alen and E Allen lost to M Bengtsson and C Mitgmtsson, 18-13, 14-18, 3-18; K Modernies and ff Hogg lost to JE Anionsson and S Osterberg, 9-19, 7-19), Group three, sub-group E: Belgium 2, Bulgaria 3, Sub-group F: Austin 3, France 2, Group four, sub-group G: Hungery 4, Cypnus 1, Sub-group H: Switzerland 4, Portugal 1. NORTH TYNE, Hexhant: British wildwelter ranking event: K1: Men: 1, 1 Tardofs (Chester), 20:nis: 3, M Swellow (Chester), 20:16: 3, M Swellow (Chester), 20:36. Women: 1, T Parsons (Nottm), 22:81; 2, K Porter (Lesdes), 22:86, 3, J Hande (Nottm), 23:46. C1: 1, J William (FAF), 23:11; 2, R Pumphrey (Sheft Univ), 25:30; 3, T Pearton (Herestord), 25:39. C2: 1, Beityn and Gaunt (Nottm), 23:40; 2, Kragint and Holl (Lesdes), 23:48; 3, Guset and Lyona (Wordesterahlee and Lichfleich), 24:00.

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE: Montreel 8, NY Mets 2; Pittsburgh 8, Philadelphia 1; Chicago Cubs 4, St Louis 2; Affanta 6, San Francisco 2; Cmicromatt 5, Houston 4; San Diago 5, Los Angeles 4 East division W L. Pot GB

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BASKETBALL CARLSBERG LEAGUE: First division play-offs: First tegs: Birmingham Bullets 80 (Koretz 19), Kingston 103 (Saunders 48) Derby Bucks 89 (Hill 17), London Towers 78 (P Scarrilebury 25); Hemel Hempstead Royals 64 (Lewes 19), Thames Valley Tipors 97 (Peed 22), NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Demot Pistons 72, New York Kricks 61; Mahraukee Bucks 94, Philadelphia 76ars 90, Cleveland Cavaliers 114, Wastengton Bullets 91 Portland Trad Blazers 123, San Antonio Spurs 97; Boston Celtics 128, Charlotte Homets 102; Seattle SuperSonics 126, Minnesota Timberwolves 116.

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FORTE HOTELS MATCHROOM LEAGUE: S Davis (Eng.) bt A Drago (Malta), 5-3, J Wattera (Thei) bt A Meo (Eng.), 6-2

Football Union secretary. also said that England. though acutely aware of the political developments in South Africa, strongly favoured their application. Two of the new IRB council members, Argentina and Ita-

ly, fully support the South

Africa would be one of the four nations qualified for the

BENTHAM: Sun Life Wessex-League championship: Final: Bristol bt Christie

MELTON MOWBRAY: Liberty Trophy Indoor county championable: Cumbris 128, Hampatan 115. CANCEING

FENNER'S (\$5 overs): Seturdey: Cem-bridge University 154-7 (Crawley 61), Durham University 165-4 (Ecclestone 58). Durham won by 6 widts. Sunday: Cam-bridge University 165 (Bovill 4-28), Dur-ham University 167-6 (Hewise 49 nos out). Durham won by 4 wide.

GYMNASTICS

LILLESHALL: Brishs acrobedos championshipa: Tumbling: Ment: C Lowther (Wakeheld), 28.15pts. Women: P Musikari (Hendon), 27.75. Men's groups: G Stokes, M Hicken, I Luke and R Laylor (West Bromwich), 27.75. Women's pairs: D Jakoba sock M Tyles (South Tyreside), 28.75. Women's groups: G Hentis, C Sweetland and F Young (Birland), 28.65.

HOCKEY

WOMEN'S HOME COUNTRIES TOUR-NAMENT: Final placings: Under-21: 1, England, 5pts; 2, Wales, 3; 3, Ireland, 3. Under-18: 1, Englend, 7pts; 2, Wales, 4; 3, Ireland, 4; 4, Scotland, 1.

TYPHOO WOMEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE First division: Doncaster 1, Chiler 0.

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL UNING States 3, Great Britain 8 (Britain lead best-of-four senes, 2-1).

SANTIAGO: World championehip: Au-gentne 12, Chile 7, England 10 (Hine 5, Lucas 4, Denella 1) United State 9, Final standings: 1, Argentina: 2, Chile, 3, England; 4, United States; 5, Mexico, 6, Guaternala.

World Cup final round, if the board approves a proposal by Russ Thomas, the World Cup director. He wants the number of teams qualifying directly for the finals reduced from eight to four. It would include the finalists in 1991, Australia and England, the winner of the third-place play-off, New Zealand, and the host nation. This would give the play-off more clout.

It would also mean that last year's quarter-finalists. Westem Samoa, Canada, Scotfying rounds, due to start early next year.

TIME TRIALS: Ely and Dist CC two-up

(50m); G. Dignton and S. Shand (G. Britain B.). The firm Asso. West Personne RC (Lanceshire, mountain, 34 miles); R. Warnington (ABC Centraville), 1:213-22. Team: Rosenctaile RC, 6:20-15. Lefoester Forest CC Hilly (30 miles); J. King (Haverhili Wh), 1:15:05. Team: Lefoestershire RC, 4:13-51, VG Free Press two-up (Cambridge, 25 miles); G. Adkins and J. French (Manchester Wh), 52min 08sec (event record). Else CC (2seez, 25 miles); M. Pyne (Polytechnic CC), 52-21. Hartisquins CC (Newberty, 25 miles); Pritchard (Express RT), 55-20. Team: Oxford Polytechnic CC, 2hr Shmin 35sec. Belger RC (25 miles); W. Moore (Leo RC), Schmin 10sec. Team: South Pennins RC, 3hr Omin Assec. Stretford Wheelers handriders (25 miles); M. Turner (ABC Centraville), 1:00-07. Team: Seamons CC, 3:22-16. Gala CC (Scottleb TT League, 20.5 miles); G. Obres (Greenhock RC), Schmin 07sec (course record). Team: Pericuit RT, 2hr Shmin 35sec. Loudoun RC (Scottleb Union GP emiss, 12.5 miles); J. Ritchle (Deseide Thintle), 31min 2bec. Antesiop RT (Harmpahle), 13-146 (course and event record). ROAD RACES: Hope Valley Classic

21:48 (course and event record).
ROAD RACES: Hope Valley Classic (Rowlend's Castle, Stropphire, 104 miles): 1, 3 Butler (Norwood Paragon), 4hr 19min (Zeoc; 2, M Lovatt (Congleton CC), at 33eoc; 3, 3 Litistone (Team Haverhill), at 231. Silver Spoon Chase two-clay (Newark, Notia, 150 miles): P Barrett (Stars and Stripes, Ronde Anglie Classic (Sudbury, Sofioli, 71 miles): G Paliner (Afford Wri), 245:17 Compomotive Wheels (Bedfordstars, 68 miles): A McCastrey (Invictor RC), 230:36.

RIFLE SHOOTING

FOR THE RECORD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: Pool B (Au triej: Netherlands 10. Japan 3. Austris 14, Yugoslevie D. Dersmat 5. Chies 2. Romanis 2. Bulgade 0. Final standinger 1. Austris. 14pts; 2. Netyharlands, 11: 3. Japan, 8. 4. Denmark, 8. NATIONAL LEAGUE (NHL): Ouebec Nordquee 1. Boson Bruins 1 (OT); Herdford Whalars 4, Philadolphie Physra 2: New York alendams 6. Toronto Alapie Leafs 2: Weathengton Capitals 4, New Jersey Devils 3 (OT); Montreel Canadiene 3. Buffelo Sabres 1; Edmonton Oliere 6, San Jose Starts 4; Wirnipeg Jets 4, Calgary Flames 3; 8 Louis Blass 1, Likemote Nord Stars 1 (OT); On dif Red Wirnigs 2. Chicago Beschlewks 1; Los Angeles Kings 6, Variouver Canadien 1. "MALES COMFERIENCE"

BISLEY: Army Open pistol meeting: Open championship: 1, RI Duckword, 1,142pts; 2, A Lamond, 1,139; 3, P Leatherdale, 1,137. Army championalip: 1, WOI J Carrs, 1,116; 2, May P Hewless, 1,108; 3, L/Cpl W Kennedy, 1,090. ORIENTEERING WINDERMERE Brash euponom 'championairbes: Men (11km): 1, 8 Paimer (Sotherberg), 65min 30sec: 2, P Hague (Southamptom), 71.25: 3, 8 McLinyre (Steatfield Univ), 75.17 Women (7,7km): 1, C Bolland (Edinburgh Univ), 53.54; 2, k Bryan-Jones (Edinburgh Univ), 63/92. Toams: Men (3 x 4.5km): 1, Edinburgh Univ (0 Goods, D Pyrah, S Corway), the 41min 26sec; 2, Sheffield Univ, 1:48.02; 3. Steatfield City Poly, 1:52.08. Women (3 x 3.5km): 1, Edinburgh Univ (1.8byd, K Bryan-Jones. C Bostend), 1:38.07; 2, Cembridge Univ 1:52.11, 3, Harlot West Univ 232:20. 1,109; 3, L/Cpi W Kernedy, 1,090. Standard pistot: 1, Luctoworth, 564; 2, Lamont, 559; Fit La A Fox, 558. Centre fire: 1, Lasthardale, 553 (equals British record); 2, Larvont, 579; 3, P. Cark, 578. Air pistot: 1, D. Mcintoeh, 571; 2, Lasthardale, 571; 3, R. Pritchard, 594. Women's air pistot: 1, B Young, 373; 2, J. Heigh, 367; 3, C. Donnetter, 384. Police pistot: 1, M. Jay, 300; 2, D. Ward, 296; 3, A. Stevene, 295. Olympic rapid fire: 1, H. Hunter, 576; 2, Jay, 575; 3, R. Filmy, 574. Sport pistot: 1, Lasthardale, 580; 2, Calma, 576; 3, Fox, 577. Women's sport pistot: 1, Voung, 573; 2, C. Page, 573; 3, P. Round, 561.

PAYENNE, Switzerland: 250cc grand price First reset: 8. Events (Bel), Suzuki, 2. T Parker (US), Hender 3. J Dobb (Eng), Kawasaki: Second reset: 1, R Moore (US); 2. Events; 3. Parker: 5, R Henring (Eng), Hende. Third rises: 1, Parker: 2, M Dymond (US), Hender; 3, P Ventronen (Pin), Yarraba. Overall: 1, Parker, 52bis: 2, Moore. 44; 3. Events, 52bis: 2, Moore. 45; 3. Events, 52bis: 2, Eventsen (Neth), Suzuki, 30:17:084; 3. J van den Bert. (Path), Suzuki, 30:17:084; 3. J van den Bert. (Neth), Suzuki, 30:17:084; 3. J van den Bert. (Neth), Suzuki, 30:33:147; 3. P Beer (Ger), Suzuki, 30:37:164 Third race: 1, Y de Maris (Pr), Suzuki, 30:47:92J, 2, J Karfason (Swe), Kewasaki, 30:42:094; 3. T Vehland (Sen Marrio), 30:46:460 Overall: 1, Tragter, 35 pts; 2, Karfason, 34; equal 3, Chiodi antAbbertijn, 33. World champlonstrip suzukings (after three rounds): 1, Albertien, 122; 2, Tragter, 121; 3, De Maris, 119.

REAL TENNIS

CUEEN'S CLUE, London: Lacoste Syttlish Open doubles championehilp: Semi-timals: N Smith and S Hazes bi P Brake and R Wakely, 15-5, 15-2, 15-4, 17-15; J Perm and W Boone bt 8 Davies and T Cockroft, 15-12, 15-8, 15-7, 15-6 Finalt Switch and Hazes bit Prem and Boone, 15-10, 15-9, 15-0, 8-15, 15-9

CUEEN'S CLUB, Londott George Wimpey British amaleur championehip (GB unless stated): Becond round: J Snow bit W Mariby, 62, 62, 60, 60; A Curley (Aus) bit A Beeson, 63, 65, 30, ret; J Ward Dt F Pesco, 63, 62, 60; A Page bit D Reid, 60, 62, 63; R Warburg bit R Kzmaric, 64, 62, 63; M Howard bit S Rigg, 61, 36, 63, 63; C Severa (Aus) bit S Snentoman, 61, 60, 63. RUGBY UNION

METBALL

STUTTGART: European team champlonships: Men: Group A: England be Holland, 4-1 (England names first: C. Pream bt D. Helster, 21-9, 21-17; Chen Xinus bt P. Helster, 21-9, 21-17; Chen Xinus bt P. Helster, 21-18, 15-21. 3-16; Novice lost to Helden and Kaen, 21-18, 16-21, 13-21; Pream bt Halden, 18-21, 21-33, 21-8) Group C: Soain bt Instand, 4-2, Bulgarab bt Portugal, 4-2, Group D: Norway bt Switzerland, 4-0; Cyprus bt Matta, 4-1; Polend bt Isoland, 4-0; Polend bt Switzerland, 4-0; Rorup bt Matta, 4-1; Polend bt Isoland, 4-0; Polend bt Switzerland, 4-0; Norway bt Iosland, 4-0; Rorup bt Matta, 4-1; Cyprus, 4-0; Group E: Turkey bt Lucemboung, 4-1; Furland bt Scotland, 4-2; Liftuanna bt Jersey, 4-0; Group F. Greece bt Rey, 4-3; Romante to Weles, 4-1; Croette bt Israel, 4-2; Greece bt Romanda, 4-3, Itasy bt Weles, 4-1; Women: Group A: Romanda, 3-2; Netherlands bi Hungary, 2-1 (Netherlands and Romania quality for semi-finals, Group E: England bt France, 3-7 (French names first: Wang xacoming bt A Hott, 21-15, 21-9; E Coubat lost to 1, Lornes, 18-21, 21-15, 17-21; Wang and Coubat lost to Holl and Lamas, 9-21, 21-12, 17-21; Wang lost to Lornes, 18-21, 21-15, 17-21; GS and Yuppelevia quality for semi-finals, Group D: Switzerland bt Ineland, 3-2; Portugal bt Cyprus, 3-0; Group E: Croette bt Letvia, 3-0; Estona bt Turkey, 3-2; Demmark bt Finland, 3-2; Group F: Scotland bt Weles, 3-0; Scotland names first J Smith of S Evens, 21-18, 21-12; C Delrymple bt Williams, 22-20, 18-21, 21-14; Smith and Dallymple bt Williams and Coller, 21-23, 21-16, 21-15; Sowenis bt Matta, 3-0; Austria bt Lucembourg, 3-0.

AMERICA'S CUP: Defender

Sabatini: tennis victory over Graf in Florida

AMERICA'S CUP: Defender trials: Semi-linais: America' (W Koch) bt Stars & Stripes (D Connet), Afeet: America' bt Rams (W Campbes), istrack broken mast ram. Progress points: 1, America' 6, 2, Karze, 5; 3, Stare & Stripes, 6 France: Pro-Olympio regastis: Windsurfing: Men: 1, T Stade (Ger.), 79.4pts; 2, B Edgrapton (GB), 81.4; 3, A trabes (ser.), 105. Other British: 43, 3 Hunchcroft; 53, M Addridge, 470: 1, B Bengtsson and J Nystrom (Swe), 82: 2, P Laskinen and M Asmiska (Fin), 83.7; 3, W Hunger and R Bermidt (Ger.), 86.7. Leading British: 4, P Brotherson and A Henmings, 16, 1 Pinnell and J Sempson: 22, J Robinson and H Gadder; 32, I Walker and D Mardean. Solving: 1, M Hentiksen (Den), 2, J Benh (Den), Woman: Tornado: 1, M Feou and Y Querrec (Fr.) 25bts; 2, G Zuccol and A Gilgoni (ft), 40; 3, A and R Heiger (Austria), 617, 7pts Leading British: 15, D Williams and I Rhodes; 26, T Robusson and B Garn; 28, W Sunnucka and R Gutteridge: 30, 8 Portvey and S Wilcox. Film: 1, D Lnever (Er.), 23, Flux; 2, S Childorley (GB), 267; 3, F Loof (Swe), 74 Other British: 14, J Fanstone; 18, R Lott. Frying Dutchmen: 1. J and J Bolsen-Moeller (Den), 84; 2, R Tushinghem and N Powell (GB), 72; 3, I and G Brazur (US), 87. Other British: 4, 8 Steed and P Allem; 5, W Henderson and A Harnoy; 17, C Aplborp and J Lyne; 32, M Lemon and J Ridadil-Smith; 4, 8 Researches and R Tirbe; 35, L Walker and J Morrallo. Soling: 1, T Moberg (Nor), 43; 2, L Andersen (Nor), 80; 3, A Bogatec (th), 91.7. Leading British: 21, D Jarvis and S Carr; 29, S Researches and R Anderson; 18, R Lores (Word), 43; 2, L Andersen (Nor), 80; 3, A Bogatec (th), 91.7. Leading British: 21, D Jarvis and S Carr; 29, S Researches and R Anderson; 100; 3, A Bogatec (th), 91.7. Leading British: 21, D Jarvis and S Carr; 29, S Researches and R Anderson; 100; 30; 3, A Bogatec (th), 91.7. Leading British: 21, D Jarvis and S Carr; 29, S Researches and R Anderson; 100; 30; 3, A Bogatec (th), 91.7. Leading British: 21, Northes (Fr), 75; 4, P Way.

MOTOR RALLYING ABERDEEN: Granite City Rally: 1, A McRae and D Senior (Lanark), Ford Sterre Cosworth, 1hr 18min 59sec, 2, D Mann and I Wany (Bungey), Toyota Celeca G14, 1.19.23; 3, R Head and C Roy (Ayr), Ford Sterra Cosworth, 1:20.19 Mintex national raty series (after two rounds): 1, Mann and R Burns (Reacting), Subaru Legacy, 41pts; 2, Barton and Gillanders, 40.

TOUR OF CORNWALL (restricted evenil: T Needel (Eccor RS 2000), 54min 11sec. National: J Prec (MS Meiro 674), 63:48. Cotswold historic (Avon): T Brooks (Surbeam Alpine), 11min, Derwant (Cumbra): M Eliston (Danian), 34min 58sec. Auto Windscreens (Derbyshire): G Sharpe (Paugeot 205), 17:36.

MEST HILL: Fether and son toticson in Plant round: J Baidwin (Tendetoge) and A Baidwin (E Berks) bt G and C Thompson (Wentworth). 4 and 3: F and T Stocks (8: George's Hill) bit W Peance (N Deven) and C Peance (West Hill), 1 hole; G and G Peance (West Hill), 1 hole; B and G Peance (Crigwell), 2 and 1: W Tail (N Wits) and N Tail (Mariborough) bt A and G Morrison (Crigwell), 3 and 1: R and S Cox. (Burniam Beachee) bt R Wood (Widerness) and D Wood (Nevil), 2 holes; P Rood (Wisley) and T Rood (Burhill) bt J and G Martin (Pitidown), 18th; J and K Younghusbard (Hayling) bt J and M Connolly (Wolding), 19th; J and R Popott W Middlesse) bt R and J Ruthertord (Northumberlend), 5 and 3; B and A Prince (West Hill) bt M Rese (Griston-Henbury), 2 holes; D home (Royal Porthoswr) and A Home (Royal Porthoswr) and A Home (Royal Porthoswr) and A Home (Bearsted) bt G and S Cassie (West Hill), 18th; D and A Geenhaligh (Royal Middlesse) bt H heaton (Dursoar) and M Heaton (Savanger), 4 and 2; J and W Alkinson (Biethop's Stortford) bt R and P Long (Windmill Hill), 1 hole, A and J Stapieton (Gerrards Crose) bt A and R McQuater (Coventy), 8 and 5; B and J Smart (Guildord) bt R and M Eladon-Dew (Welton Heatth), 4 and 3; I hine (St Enodoc Bristol) and J Hine (Cithen) bt P and N Cox (Weshon Heatth), 1 hole, E Bond (Hentidey Common) and D Bond (Wentworth) bt M Geake (St Enodoc) and J Geake (Knutsford), 5 and 4; TWG and R Berts (Mannings Heatth) bt A Evans (Dulwich) and I Evans (Sydenham), 7 and 6; P Story (Midernesse), 1 hole; J and J Green (RAC) bt B and B Bond (Wentworth) bt D and M Burridge (Eeling), 5 and 4; H and T Mote (W Susses) bt M and G Taggart (Widernesse), 1 hole; J and J Green (RAC) bt P and A Bethurst (Henviley (Common) bt L and D Devon (Boxey) Heatth), 5 and 5; D A and D Beamish (Doreham), 3 and 2; G and A Bottorick) bt C Beamanh (Woodheil Spa) and D Beamish (Dereham), 5 and 5; D And A Hottorick) and School (Barther) bt

NICE: Men's tournament: First round: F Santoro (Fr) bit A Chesnokov (CIS), 6-3, 0-6, 6-3, T Champion (Fr) bit A Cherkasov (CIS), 6-4, 6-1; M Lanson (Swe) bit Agenor (Haith), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; T Carbone (Sp) bit R Furian (ti), 6-7, 6-4, 6-3; N Kutti (Swe) bit T Enqvist (Swe), 6-2, 6-4.

HONG KONG: Men's Open tournement: First round: M Sitich (Ger) bit Chang Enjong (S Kores), 7-6. 6-3, S Matsuota (Japan) bit A Antonitsch (Austrie), 6-3, 6-1, P Baur (Ger) bit T Ho (US), 6-2, 6-3; M Damm (Cz) bit M Walker (HK), 7-5, 6-3. AMELIA ISLAND, Florida: Women's tournament: Semi-finals: S Graf (Ger) bit A Sénchez Vicario (Sp), 67, 64, 63; G Sabatini (Am) Nr. Mentinez (Sp), 83, 63, 63

SPEFDWAY GOLD CUP: First division: Eastbourne

OVERSEAS FOOTBALL RESULTS

ALBANIAM LENGUE Taute 2 Partisani 2, Apotonia 0, Tornori 0, Lushinia 0, Besa 0; Kastrioto 0, Fiarmurian 0; Selenica 3, Laci 0; Dissano 1; Ebaseo 1; Transo 0, Vitaznia 3 Leading positions (after 25 matches): 1, Vitaznia, 40prs; 2, Partisani, 34; 3, Tornori, 27
ARGENTINE LEAGUE: Vétez Sarefield 2, Independiente 2, Boca Juniora 7, Culimés 0, Union 0, Platense 2; Roserio Central 3, Argentono Juniors 0; Racing Club 1, San Lorenzo de Almagro 2; Gamnasa Esgrima La Pista 2, Tallerse 0; Belgrano 3, Estudientes de la Pista 0; Ferro Carril Deste 0, Newed's Cid Boys 1; Deportivo Español 0, River Pista 2; Deportivo Español 0, River Pista 2; Deportivo Español 0, River Pista 2; Deportivo Sandriyu 0, Huracán 0 Lasading positions (after agist matches): 1, Newed's Cid Boys, 14pts; 2, Bocs Juniors, 13; 3, River Pista, 12, Austria Wen, 13; 3, River Pista, 12, Austria Wen, 13; 3, River Pista, 12, Austria Wen, 12; 3, River Pista, 12, Austria Wen, 12; 3, River Pista, 12, Austria Wen, 1, Lasding positions (after 28 matches): 1, Austria Wen, 23pts; 2, Austria Sazburg, 22; 3, Rapid Wien, 2, Relegation play-offis: Lask 3, Viß Mödling 2; DSV Alpine 2, Kremser SK 2; Sturm Graz 0, First Vienna 0, Leading positions (after 28 matches): 1, Austria Wen, 23pts; 2, Remes SK, 7; 3, DSV Alpine, 7, RELGIAN LEAGUE: Asist 1, RWO Molenbeck 0; Lierse 0, Waregem 0; Kornifit 0, Mechelan 0; Royal Antwerp 3, Certcle Bruges 2, An Ghern 1, Standard Liège 0; Racing Gain 5, Lokeren 0; FC Liège 2, Germinal Elseren 1; FC Bruges, 44; 3, Standard Liége, 40.

BRAZILIAN NATIONAL LEAGUE: Cornitans 1, Flamengo 3; Cruzeiro 0.

Minetro 0; São Peullo 1, Fluminense 0; Sport 0, Behle 1; Vasco da Garra 2, Bobslogo 1. Leading porationes 1, Vasco da Garra 2, Bobslogo 1. Leading porationes 1, Vasco da Garra, played 13, 21 pts; 2, Botslogo, played 13, 18; 3, Bragantino, played 12, 17. (Top aight famore quality for the semi-lead stage.)

BULGARIAN LEAGUE: Lobomotiv Plovdiv 1, CSKA 1. Barce 2, Lavald Sofie 1; Lokomotiv Sofia 3, Dobrucija 0; Hebur 1, Prin 1; Minyor 1; Chemomorete 0; Salvala 0, Botav Plovdev 0; Vantra 1, Etur 1; Lokomotiv Gorma Oryahevitsa 2, Silven 1. Leading poelitions (after 23 matches): 1. 9. Bolaw Plovdev D; Yantm 1, Elur 1; Lokomotiv Gorm Oryshovitus 2, Silven 1, Leading positions (after 22 manches): 1. CSKA, 3cyts; 2, Levido Solis, 33; 3, Bioteo Plovdiv, 28
CAF CUP: Fices round: First leg: Limme (Lesotho) 0, Ferro Visito (Moti) 0: Mbompo Sports (Zaire) 3, Pepri African Stars (Namibia) 0; Diamanni (Carw) 2, Ascot (Chaci) 0: Erole (Congo) 5, Desportivo Mongomo (Equatorial Guines) 0; Wided Casablanca (Mor) 2, Arab Contractors (Egypl) 1, Netambour (Sen) 0, East End Lons (Sierra Leone) 0; Sports Club Villa (Uga) 3, Monen's Pirates (Swaz) 1; CA Bizerle (Tun) 3, Zuffunts (Nigeria) 0; Klaumo Posta (Ken) 2, Small Simos (Tun) 1; Elwehds (Löys) 1, All Mourads (Sudan) 0; As Kaloum (Guines) 3, Asmo (Gaban) 0; Rest Tarmale United (Ghana) 1, Dragone de l'Oueme (Benin) 0; ASM Oran (Alg) 4, Ar Meuritania (Maunzana) 1, Lingone de l'Oueme (Benin) 0; ASM Oran (Alg) 4, Ar Meuritania (Maunzana) 1, Lingone de l'Oueme (Benin) 0; ASM Oran (Alg) 4, Ar Meuritania (Maunzana) 1, Lingone de l'Oueme (Benin) 0; ASM Oran (Alg) 4, Ar Meuritania (Maunzana) 1, Lingone de l'Oueme (Benin) 2; Assa Signo (Mory Cosst) v Petroca (Central African Republic), abendonet; Shooting Stars (Nigeria), bye. (Socand-leg matches to be played April 23-30)
DANISH LEAGUE: Play-offic Lingoly 1, Fram Copenhagen 2, AGF Aarhus 0, Salkaborg 1, ABB Asiborg 1, SK 1903 Copenhagen 1; Brondby 3, Massived 1, Liading positions (after four matches); 1, Fram Copenhagen, 18pts; 2, Lyngley, 18; 3, BK 1903 Copenhagen, 18. Standard Dege, 4U.

BRAZILIAN NATIONAL LEAGUEConnthians 1, Flamengo 3; Cruzeiro 0.

Nautico 0; Palmerna 2, Portuguesa 0;
Paysandu 3, Guarani 0; Santos 0, Atletico

DUTCH LEAGUE PSV Enchoven 3, Whem II Tiburg 0, Fortuns Sitterd 0, SVV/Dordrecht 90 0: De Graefschap Doetmichem 3, FC Velendam 0; RVC Wastleys 1, AVV Massficht 1; FC Groningen 1, Feyermourd 0; FC Urecht 1, Vitease Armhem 1; FC Twente Emechagie 2, VVV Verlo 1: Spars Rotterdam 4, Rode JC Kerkrede 0; Ajex 3, FC Den Hang 2 Lauding positions: 1, PSV Enchosen, played 31, S2pts: 2, Apo, 31, 48, 3, Feyermourd, 30, 42. FRENCH LEAGUE Markedles 0, Montpoeller 0, Le Hawne 1, Narroy 2, Nimes 1, Toukon 6; August 3, Campat 1; Metz 1, Caen 2, Si Elienne 1, Lilie 1, Lann 4, Lyons 2, Sochaux 0, Rennes 0; Narries 1, AS Monaco 4; Toulousé 3, Para Saint-Germain 0, Leading positions (shar 35 matches) 1, Markedles, Edyst 2, AS Monaco, 51, 3, Pare Sent-Germain 45. GERMAN LEAGUE Karlsruhe 9C 1, VIL Bochum 1; Werder Brannen 2, Dynamo Dresden 0, VIB Stuttgart 2, Naremberg 0; Bottales Manchengécidech 1, Entrincht Frankurt 1; SC Wastlensched 7, Hanburger SV 1, Bayer Leverbusten 3, Kasserstautem 0, MSV Dutsburg 1, Cologne 3, Hanse Rostock 2, Schales 04, Bayer Leverbusten 3, Leading positions gather 35 matches; 1, VIB - Stuttgart, 430ts; 2, Boruseta Dormand, 43, 3, Entracht Frankurt 6; Forters Dosseldort 1, Surgente Nickans 3, Leading positions gather 35 matches; 1, VIB - Stuttgart, 430ts; 2, Boruseta Dormand, 43, 3, Entracht Frankurt, 42 GREEK LEAGUE: Desa Dramas 0, PAOK Salorica 0; AEX Atheirs 5, Parashala 1; Abriration 0, Penfore 1, Desagnip positions (after 27 matches): 1, AEX Atheirs 5, Parashala 1; Abriration 0, Penfore 1, Desagnip positions (after 27 matches): 1, AEX Atheirs 4, Paparaham 1, Bahaminen 8, Dermande 1, Bah BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Bray Wanderas 1, Behanians 9, Droghada United 0, Sigo

Rovers 3; Gehway United 2, Dundelt, 2, St. Patrick's Athletic 6. Athlone 3. Shelbourne 0, Cork City 1. Leading positions (after 33 matches): 1. Shelbourne, 49pts, 2, Derry City, 44, 3, Cork Chr. 4. postores , 48pts, 32 metores; 1, Shelbourne, 48pts, 2, Deny City, 44, 3, Cork City, 43. HUNGARIAN LEAGUE: 4/TE 3, M/TK-VM 0, Pecai Munhas 1, Vasas 1, Raba Gyori ETO 3, Taxabanye 1, Vasas 1, Raba Gyori ETO 3, Taxabanye 1, Vasas 1, Raba Gyori City Cork City Colored Colore LINEMBOURG LEAGUE: Champ-loreship play-offs: Spora Linembourg 0. Avenir Beggen 4, Jeunesse Esch 3, CS Grevenmacher 1, Arts Bonneyvae 0 Union Linembourg 1, Leading pocitions (after four resichers, point; carried forward): 1, Americ Beggen, 1904s, 2, Spora Livem-bourg, 17 5, 3, Union Livembourg, 17 OLYMPIC CAMES QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT: CONCACAF zone: Caracte 2 Honduras 2 (in Burnathy, British Colombia) Golombia)
POLISH LEAGUE: Gorruk Zabrzer 3, Sask Wrocław D: Lech Paznan 3, Pegrotour Datina Q: Zapiebe Lubin Q, Srał Mielec D. Wiel Kriskow 2, GKS Katowace 4; Widzew Lodz 3, Motor Lubin Q; Staf Stalowa Woto D, UKS Lodz 1. Ruch Chorzow 1. Hutnik Krakow 1, Zagloba Chorzow 1. Zagloba Wersaw 1, Olimpa Paznan 1, Zawiaza Bydgoozcz O, Leeding positions (salter 21 mutches): 1, Lech

Pozram, Stote, 2, Gornik Zabrze, 27, 3, GKS Katownos, 27
PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Benitra 2, Sporting Braga 0, Farense 0, Sporting Lebon 2, Unao da Madelira 2, F. Porto 2, Torreense 1: Salgueiros 0, Papos de Ferreira 0, Vilórie Guimeriles 1, Estorá 1, Bers Mer 0, Farensiclo 0; Penafiel 1, Chaves 0, Leading positiones: 1, FC Porto, pisyed 29, 48pis, 2, Benitra, 28, 41; 3, Bosevista, 28, 38.
ROMANIAN LEAGUE: Otelal Galati 1, Politehnica Timisoara 3: ASA Electromures 0, Ruped Bucharer 1, Daca Unirea Braila 1, Giona Bistrita 2, Bachropuctere Crasova 2, FC Arges Phesti 0, FC Poussi 1, FC Farul Constanta 0; FC Becus 1, Steaus Sucharest 2, Sportul Studentesc 1, FC Inter Sibiu 0, Dinamo Bucharest 2, Universitates Crabova 0, Leading positions (after 23 matches): 1, Dinamo Bucharest, 40pts, 2, Steaus Sucharest, 33, 3, FC Pleesti; 2, Comp 4: Dynamo Macharest, Veneze 1, Comp 4: Dynamo Macharest 1, Comp 4: Dynamo 1, Comp 4: 33. 3. F. Pissesti, 3. Sensus suchares, 33. 3. F. Pissesti, 3. Sensus suchares, 33. 3. F. Pissesti, 3. Sensus suchares, 3. Russians R. Pissesti, 3. Russians Russians R. Pissesti, 3. Russians R

Peznan, 31pts, 2. Gornik Zaluze, 27. 3, GKS Katowice, 27

PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Benitica 2, Sporting Brage 0, Farense 0, Sporting Labon 2, Unino da Madeira 2, FC Porto 2, Bosvista 1, CS Maritimo 0, Gt Vicente 2, Torreense 1; Salgueiras 0, Pagos de Ferreira 0, Vilória Guimarães 1, Estorá 1, Charves 0, Leading positions; 1, FC Porto, Payed 29, 49pts, 2, Beníca, 28, 41; 3, Bosvista, 29, 38.

ROMANIAN LEAGUE: Otelul Galati 1, FCM Bresov 0, Corvinul Hunedosira 1, Folliehnica 11m/30ara 3; ASA Electromures 0, Rapid Bucharest 1, Daca Barcelona, 42. 3, Attence Medind, 40.

SWISS LEAGUE: Championship playoffs. Young Boys BSC 2. Lausanne 0, FC
Sion 3, Grasshopper Zurich 1, Servette 1,
Neuchtlet Xamar 1, FC Zurich 2, St
Gefan 1 Leeding positions (after seven
matches, point) carried forward: 1,
Grasshopper Zurich, 23pts, 2, FC Ston,
22. 3, Servette, 21 ZZ. 3, Servette, 21

TURKISH LEAGUE: Beaktea 1, Fenerbahce 0, Anharagucu 4, Genciarbirligi 2: Sanyer 0, Konyaspor 1; Trabzonspor 2, Galatasatay 3, Boluspor 3, Adara Demirspor 0, Samaunapor 4, Bursaspor 0; Gaziantepspor 0, Aydinspor 4; Alley 1, Belarkyapor 0, Leading positions: 1, Beaktes, played 25, 63pte; 2, Fenerbahce, 24, 56; 3, Galatasaray, 24, 56

YUGOSLAV LEAGUE: Sutjesks Niksic 1, Red Star Belgrade 1 (Sutjesks won 6-5 on pens), Rad Belgrade 0, Varder Skopje 1; Voycodina Novi Sad 1, Spariak Subotica 0; Radnici Nike 2, Zemun 2 (Radnici won 4-3 on pens); Partizan Belgrade 3, Proleter Birol O Postponed: Velez Mostar v Borac Banja Luka, Buduencet Podgorica v Stobode Tuzis; FK Sarajevo v Zeljeznicar Leading postirions (after 27 matches); 1, Red Star Belgrade, 41pts, 2, Partizan Belgrade, 38; 3, OFK Belgrade, 31

CRICKET 30

Lord's prepares to usher counties into a new era



CIUCKET CORRESPONDENT

LORD'S, just after breakfast on the last Monday before Easter, was a vision of cricket past and present. The season was starting in the obligatory fashion, on an April morning of numbing winds and with Graham Gooch first into the nets. Some things, it seemed, will never change and yet in this, of all weeks, appearances were deceptive.

The next two days at HQ will produce a vision of the game's future. Within it, there should no longer be a place for the raw ritual of cricket being played in early April, seen in all its cheerless futility yesterday. This, how-

ever, will not be the only liability banished.

If the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) working party, which today ents its findings to the first-class counties, is allowed its way, this season will be the last for the game as we know

The long traditions of three-day championship cricket, jealously guarded against much reformist zeal in recent years, look likely to fall at last. The influential working party, I understand, will strongly recommend a programme of 17 four-day games as from next year. Believing, as I do, that quality is suffering at the hands of quantity, Mike

evident in the next few weeks. Decisions must be taken at a full meeting of the TCCB on May 19 but canvassing has already been intense and preemptive, officers of the board touring the country to brief

Murray's committee will also

suggest the abolition of one limited-overs competition.

. They do not expect a com-fortable ride. The last work-

ing party set up to investigate

the structure of the English

game spent months at work,

only to have its report rejected out of hand by counties whose

dread of the unknown pro-

voked reactionary extremes.

It is only natural, if cynical, to

ask why anything should be different this time.

The answers will become

each club on the proposed schedules and to discuss all likely objections. Several have already been won over. Hardliners, Essex among them, may never be persuaded but could find themselves

The proposals will, anyway. be greeted with relief tomorrow, when the debating at Lord's will be done by the England committee. Ted Dexter, its chairman, has long protested that we play too much of the wrong type of cricket, and he rightly points out that England players would not only have more rest between games under a fourday system, they would also be available for a higher percentage of fixtures.

This spring committee agenda, tour reports to the fore, but much the most important items are the captaincy and management of the national team. New appointments are imminent in both

Given the position, there was great irony yesterday morning in the familiar sight of Gooch dedicatedly finetuning his batting in one net, while the greying eminence, Keith Fletcher, fussed over his younger charges alongside. Gooch, the England cap-

tain, was here with Essex: Fletcher, the Essex coach, was here with the England A team. It may have been a taste of things to come.

Tomorrow, Gooch will be reappointed captain of England for the entire summer. No other decision can, indeed, be contemplated. At the same time, however, Dexter's committee will want to know if he is definitely discounting himself from the winter tour of India, which still seems

If so, a successor must be chosen, from a shortlist of Moxon, Stewart and Atherton, to work with a new man-ager when Micky Stewart's contract expires in

highly likely.

Stewart, it seems, will not serve another term. His replacement will be Fletcher, always providing he is willing to give up his beloved duties

at Essex. If he does, the newly created vacancy is one that Gooch, for whom Essex have always been the first love. would happily claim when his overworked joints finally fail

On a three-sweater Monday at Lord's, it seemed nothing ever changes. But in this cricketing year, little may stay

☐ Britannic Assurance has agreed a three-year extension of its sponsorship of the county championship with the TCCB. The total package is worth nearly \$1.5 million, with this year's champions receiving £46,000.

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Koeman misses chance to halt slump

Barcelona feel pressure as the rumours fly

BY PETER ROBINSON

JUST as the stage was set for a triumphent finale to a memorable season, Barcelona have run into trouble. A place in the European Cup final, once thought a formality, still has to be claimed, hopes of retaining the Spanish championship are wobbling and, perhaps worst of all, whispers are growing that all is not well between the club and its brilliant but controversial coach. Johann Cruvff.

The Dutchman's decision to steer his country through the World Cup finals in 1994 was never likely to please Jose Luis Nuñez, the Barcelona president, but there are signs that a rift is developing between the two. Against a background of rumour and counter-rumour, the team's form has declined and Real Madrid have once again opened a two-point gap at the

Although Real could only draw 0-0 with bottom-placed Real Mailorca on Saturday, Barça fared even worse, losing by a single goal in an astonishing game in Valencla. Two players - Ricardo

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Arias, of Valencia, and Josep Guardiaolo, — plus Guus Hiddink, the Valencia manager, and even two stretcherbearers were "sent off" as Spanish passions boiled over. In all, there were 11 bookings before the referee, in the seventh minute of injury-time, chased Hiddink off the pitch. He did not return, and the

return to the dressing-rooms. A ninth-minute penalty miss by Ronald Koeman, normally the most clinical finisher from the spot in Europe. hardly helped Barcelona's mood and when Atletico Madrid thrashed Cádiz 5-1 24 hours later, with four goals from Manolo, they moved within two points.

mystified teams were left to

It was not exactly the preparation Barça had in mind before tomorrow's European Cup semi-final group game against Bentica in the Nou Camp. A draw will be enough to secure a place in the cup final in London next month, but while Barcelona's form has dipped somewhat, Benfica's has improved and they eased comfortably past

15.9% vaлable

Sporting Braga at the weekend, Cesar Brito and Isaias scoring in their 2-0 win. If Cruyff fails to bring the European Cup to Barcelona for the first time, it is said that Nuñez

will search for a replacement. Sampdoria are all but on their way to Wembley already, since the chances of Panathinaikos stealing a victory in Genoa tomorrow are slim, at best, but the Serie A champions have failed to keep pace with AC Milan in the Italian league this season. indeed, they almost lost at home to AS Roma at the weekend, Silas saving their blushes with a last-minute equaliser in a 1-1 draw. Milan, meanwhile, are coasting to the title, although their I-I draw at Cremonese prompted a furious Fabio Capello, their coach, to accuse his players of taking it easy and narcissism". Things will be different tonight, when they play Juventus in Turin in the second leg of an Italian Cup semi-final: the first leg was

As ever, it was all change in Europe's most fascinating league, the Bundesliga. Following Borussia Dortmund and Eintracht Frankfurt. VIB Stuttgart took their turn to top the table with their 2-0 defeat of Nuremburg. Matthias Sammer, shortly to ioin the German exiles at Internazionale, scored both goals in another outstanding display. For those who believe this is a three-horse race, heed the words of Berni Vogts, the German national team's coach. "Bayer Leverlausen has the class to become champions," he said yesterday in the wake of their 3-0

defeat of Kaiserslautern. Life at the bottom in Germany is rather more fraught. Horst Köppel, the coach of relegation-bound Fortuna Düsseldorf, has sacked half his team in the wake of Friday's 3-1 home defeat by Stuttgarter Kickers complaining: "Our spectators work hard for their money and don't deserve such a performance."



Cut above the rest: Fred Couples, the Masters golf champion, tries on the green jacket for size, helped by his predecessor, Ian Woosnam, following his final round at Augusta on Sunday. Report, page 30-

Bates strikes a deal over Chelsea

BY MATTHEW BOND

KEN Bates, the Chelsea chairman, finally appears to have secured the future of football at Stamford Bridge. But the deal he has in principle agreed with Cabra Estates means the end of football at Craven Cottage, the riverside home of Fulham.

company that owns Stamford Bridge, yesterday confirmed that significant progress had been made in resolving the bitter dispute between the two sides that dates back over two years. Assuming the deal goes through without further hitch, it will bring to a close Mr Bates's nine-year battle to

Chelsea and the ground they play on. Under the terms of a deal negotiated on Sunday, Cheisea will assume full responsibility for £13 million of debt presently owed by Cabra to the Royal Bank of Scotland. Responsibility for a further

£8.25 million that Cabra would owe to Fulham at the

amount suggested by a local Conservative councillor, Phillip Hendry.

John Sillett is to hand over the day-to-day running of Hereford United to Greg-Downes, the player-coach, for

the rest of the season. ☐ Joe Kinnear, the Wimbledon manager, has had a £1,500 fine for misconduct cut by a third after convincing the FA that the original punishment was too severe.

division side were to leave Craven Cottage, will also be taken by Chelsea.

However, Fulham is expected to cancel that debt in exchange for a long-term ground-sharing arrangement at Stamford Bridge, perhaps including a percentage of Chelsea's gate money.

The effective result is that for £13 million, Cabra will sell its 83.5 per cent stake in SB Property, the subsidiary that owns Stamford Bridge, to Chelsea. Cabra will then pay £1 for Vicenza, the SB subsidiary that owns Craven Cottage, clearing the way for a residential redevelopment of

the ground. As part of the improved relations between the two sides. Cabra has postponed for a formight its legal moves to wind up Chelsea, while Mr Bates has withdrawn his request for an extraordianry general meeting of Cabra at which he was planning to call for the removal of two of

London loses backing of ADT

BY DAVID POWELL ATPLETICS CORRESPONDENT

ADT, the security and vehicle auction company, which has sponsored the London Marathon for the last four years, announced yesterday that it would not be backing the event next year. "When we embarked on this, our objective was to make ADT a household name and we have achieved that," David Hammond, the ADT deputy chairman, said.

The marathon has had three sponsors in its 12-year life: Gillette (1981 to 1983); Mars (1984 to 1988) and ADT (1989 to 1992). Neither Chris Brasher, the chairman of London Marathon Ltd, nor Hammond would disclose how much ADT's sponsorship had been worth and. thus how much a new spons-

or might expect to pay. substantially more annually than the £2 million over three years which it stated at the outset would be its minimum. The standard any fee for the latest London Marathon, held on Sunday, was £17.

"The entry fee would be well over £50 if there was no

sponsor," Brasher said. But, of course, there will be, and the groundwork to find one, with what Brasher-described as "an international footprint", began two weeks ago when the mara-thon was informed of ADT's decision. "It is outside the reach or worth of a purely UK company," Brasher added.

Next year the marathon may have its earliest date since its inaugural running. Brasher said there were two main reasons for considering April 4. One was to attract the best possible international field by lengthening the re-covery time before the world championships.
Brasher's other reason was

his perceived trend towards warmer weather in April. Heat is the greatest enemy of the marathon runner," he said. An earlier date might reduce the risk. Furthermore, flying into London on Satur day night, after warm weather in London for several days leading up to the mara-thon, he was struck by the pollution, "a hell of a haze" as he put it. Heat traps pollution, which by fiself can have an adverse affect on marathon performance.

reunite the ownerships of Luton's ground may be closed in breach of saftey regula-tions to allow supporters en-KENILWORTH Road, the home of Luton Town football involved was £250,000, the

club, could be closed today (Louise Taylor writes). The first division club owes an undisclosed sum in police bills and if Bedfordshire County Council advises the county's chief constable to refuse to police Kenilworth Road at a police committee meeting this morning, the ground will be shut.

Results, page 31 Kenilworth Road, it would be

try to games. David Kohler, the Luton chairman, yesterday acknowledged that the club owes "some money in police bills". He said: "Occasionally some bills take a little longer

than others to pay but I have spoken to Bedfordshire county council and they know there is no question of the bills not being paid." Kohler denied that the sum

Devoy claims eighth title

BY COLIN MCQUILLAN

SUSAN Devoy, of New Zealand, reclaimed the Hi-Tec British Open squash rackets title at Wembley last night. convincingly defeating Martine Le Moignan, of England, 9-3, 9-5, 9-3 in 35

It was her third win over the tall left-hander. from Guernsey, in the British Open final, and her fourth on the European circuit this year. Le Moignan was hopeful after a good losing performance in last month's Guernsey Open, but, beyond holding the determined New Zealander to 3-3 in each game, this was another trouncing.

The famed Devoy backhand drop shot was unveiled in the first two rallies and

contributed five more winners in the 15 minute open-ing game. She hardly artacked at all in the eightminute second game after ap-It is just possible Devoy will parently damaging a calf muscle at 3-2. Her sound rallving was enough, however, to bring six unforced er-

rors from Le Moignan. She took the nine-minutes third game in just five hands. winning her eighth British Open title with a perfectly judged backhand cross court to the deep right corner, that had her opponent desperately chasing in much the way she has since Devoy appeared on the international scene in

Only once, in the 1989 World Open final, has Le Moignan broken through

against the best attacking skills and the toughest defensive mentality in the women's

not return for another British Open. She is 28 now and said last night: "Eight seems a good number of wins. It is just twice the number Vicki Cardwell managed and half the Heather McKay score."

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RESULTS (Eng unless stated): More Semi-finals: Jamsher khan (Pak) bit R Marin (Aus) 59 9-1 95 49, 94 C Robertson (Aus) 159 9-1 95 49, 94 C Robertson (Aus) 160 100, 96 M Ls Mognan 161 L Chee, 96, 95 96 Finals Devoy bit Le Mognan 93, 95, 93 Age group finals: Men: Over-35: P Kempon bit A Jahan, 94 93 108 Over-40-Jahan bit A Sahwai (Egypti, 91, 97, 97, Over-45: Sherron bit Mikalitu, 90 95, 92 Over-50: M Yasin bit Khalitu, 90 95, 92 Over-50: M Yasin bit Khalitu, 90 96, 90 90, 90 Over-50: M Yasin bit Khalitu, 90 96, 90 90 90 Over-50: Linder bit J Cox, 79 10-8, 59 96 90 Women: Over-35: D Dover (Aus) bit R Anderson (Aus) 29, 108, 94, 94 Over-40: Davis bit S Wrench, 96, 95, 94 members.
"When we wanted to open the bottles of the second samples in the National Sports Medicine Centre on Friday, Maya Christova's coach, Elena Todorova, fainted and knocked over the doctor who dropped the bottle containing the sample,"

Bizarre twist to drugs test

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

Sofia: A second drugs test on Emil Miloshov, the secretary of the Bulgarian drugs-test-ing commission, said. three Bulgarian women gymnasts who had been found positive last week had to be postponed after the coach of one of them fainted in the

He said the commission would decide today how to deal with the spilt sample. The results of the other two laboratory and destroyed a sample. officials said will be known today. "If the second test confirms the reyesterday.
Only two Bulgarian women will now compete in the world championships in sults of the first one, we will ban the gymnasts at once," an official said yesterday. The Bulgarian team that left bere yesterday for the championships, which start Paris this week after the bi-zarre twist to the testing of the three other team

tomorrow, now consists of two gymnasts, Silvia Mitova and Snezhana Christakieva. The missing three failed a routine drugs test in Sofia last week when a diuretic, a substance sometimes used for fast weight reduction. was found in their urine.

They are Maya Christova.

aged 15, regarded as Bulgar-ia's best gymnast; Milena Mavrodieva, aged 20 and the 1990 European cham-pionship bronze medal win-ner, and Mirela Peneva, aged

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Butch Reynolds, the world 400 metres record holder, has been given permission by The Athletics Congress to compete again after he was suspended for using a banned substance in 1990. TAC, the governing body of athletics in the United States, said that Reynolds was eligible to compete until the International Amateur Athletics Federation (IAAF) ☐ Butch Reynolds, the world Athletics Federation (IAAF) arbitration panel ruled on the suspension, probably next month. Reuter

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drawbacks



After the election, the performances assessed

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New face for a desert legend

The story of Lawrence of Arabia has been rewritten for the television screen. Clive Irving considers what it offers a contemporary audience

f there was ever a diplomat's nightmare, this was it. In the middle of the Paris Peace Conference in 1919, memos bounced between four British departments of state, desperately trying to establish on whose authority Colonel T. E. Lawrence was trying to redraw the map of the Middle East. The War Office. the Foreign Office, the Colonial Office and the India Office all tried for months to agree which of them actually employed Lawrence. He claimed to have been demobilised from the army, but the War Office could not establish this. In the end, it was decided that he was under the Foreign Office and attached to the Peace Conference as a "technical adviser".

By then, Major Hubert W. Young of the Foreign Office had divined what Lawrence's game really was. Early in September, he minuted: "Col. Lawrence came in here the other day and remarked

... that he had been working steadily for an impasse for the past year, and that he thought he had

The settlement of rival claims to hegemony in the Middle East was very much a sideshow to the main business of Paris, the humbling and containment of Germany. But the fall of the Ottoman Empire left the disposition of Western power in the Middle East unresolved and opened the way to Arab selfdetermination. Lawrence, with his desert campaign as his overture, seized the moment to press home his own design which, in his words, proposed that, "the Arabs should be our first brown dominion, and not our last brown

These months in Paris engaged all Lawrence's conflicts of loyalty. affiliation and allegiance. Yet they have always drawn far less detailed scrutiny than his desert war. In fact, the peace conference provides a stage that reveals on far more intimate terms than the desert saga the stresses of Law-

I had been working with David Puttnam to find a new way of looking at Lawrence, aware that nearly 30 years after David Lean's Lawrence of Arabia, the character was still, for many people, indelibly invested in Peter O'Toole's brilliant impersonation. But we wanted something different.

The more we considered the Paris conference, the more obvious it became that a subtly-layered Lawrence was there, waiting to be found. The picture became even clearer when we combed the contemporary papers from the Public Record Office. Lawrence's real voice leaps off the page from his own notes, and from verbatim transcripts of committee

meetings.
Instead of a broken man, leaving Damascus too spiritually damaged effectively to support Prince Feisal, his Arab comrade-in-arms. we found a Lawrence confident that he could prevail.

The text for our Lawrence, a Lawrence we wanted to carve closer to actual size than in the Lean film. jumped out in a passage from an introduction to the Seven Pillars of Wisdom: "We lived many lives in those whirling campaigns, never sparing ourselves: yet when we achieved and the new world

dawned, the old men came out

again and took our victory to re-

Mark II hero: Raiph Fiennes

make in the likeness of the former

world they knew." appear in the original editions of the book. Lawrence wrote them in the pit of despair at the end of the peace conference, but was then persuaded to suppress them. They geopolitical reality, that a new world order had been decreed which, for the Arabs, was merely the old world order minus the Ottomans.

Lawrence arrived in Paris with only the first whiff of his desert Thomas, the American war correspondent responsible for breeding the Lawrence mythology, was then still in New York, putting together a vulgar road show of the desert campaign which never really caught fire until Thomas realised that Lawrence was its charismatic centrepiece, and adapted his script accordingly.

But, even without Thomas's Lawrence instinctively sensed he could use his celebrity for political ends. His star quality quite new: burgeoning fame was of greater effect than the meagre official credentials which he

awrence made up his tactics at the peace conference in very much the way he had improvised them in the desert, and on the same principle: to deploy the advan-tages of the smaller force against the weaknesses of the larger, wherever these could be exposed. -

There is always a danger when sated with rich documentary sources that what emerges in a script is a faithful, but leaden, docudrama. Putmam was wary of this from the beginning. He wanted to honour the historical context without imprisoning the character in the historical record.

In the hands of Tim Rose Price. the scriptwriter, the core of our story became Lawrence's relationship with Feisal, the 33-year-old Hashemite heir presumptive without a throne of his own. Feisal wanted Damascus, Lawrence, a virulent Francophobe, wanted to keep the French out of Syria. The dramatist had to explore: who was leading whom? Had Lawrence gone native", to a seditious

Major Young, in the early months of 1919, wanted to stop this galvanic pair in their tracks. He scratched out a note: "I between these two in Paris is likely

to cause us serious embarrassment with the French." This revealed the kind of animus that Lawrence often provoked in serving officers: Young had worked with Lawrence in Arabia, and taken an instant dislike to his "unsoldierly" style.

Robert Vansittart, then a young diplomat, countered Young, saying that it "would be a mistake to keep Lawrence from Feisal". He put the case with naked expediency, talking of Lawrence's "probable utility to us if properly handed" (a rival minute says, obviously from heartfelt experience, "The trouble is that it is always Col. Lawrence who does the handling").

The India Office, which coveted many of the old Onoman lands, was Lawrence's most openly hostile opponent. Sir Arthur Hirtzel. secretary of the Political Department, sent a choleric reply to Lawrence's "brown dominion" plan: "I mistrust Lawrence profoundly ... Lawrence is a politi-cian, he admittedly knows nor cares anything about administration ... I submit that we cannot for a moment allow Feisal or Lawrence to dictate to us who we

shail or shail not employ . . . " In the end, Lord Curzon, speaking from the imperial heights as foreign secretary, lost patience and exploded: "I have no idea of what 'an Arab administration of Mesopotamia' means -

nor has anybody else." Lawrence's duality in Paris, trying to uphold his perception of British interests in Arabia and, at the same time, honour his pledges to Feisal, is nicely shown in his clothing, the British colonel's uniform and the Arab headdress - authentic neither to one calling nor the other, and satisfying neither his generals

Feisal must have been progressively disaffected by the way Lawrence played to the gallery, using his reputation as the blue-eyed charmer with a mysteriously bloody war record to excite salon society. But Feisal enjoyed the effect of his own appeal, that of the melancholic, mystical Oriental. In truth, he was an astute leader with high ambitions for himself and his

Lawrence's narcissism was evident in the way he sat for portraits by virtually anyone who asked (James McBey's, done in Damascus, was the first, and those by Eric Kennington the most numerous). Any film of Lawrence in Paris had to show this side of his character. but it also had to expose the duplicity of the forces ranged against Lawrence and Feisal.

Paris held more dangers than the desert. There came a time when Lawrence had to be cut down. France could not be denied Syria. Britain's routes to India had to be secured by continued European hegemony over the Arabs. And Gulf oil supplies had to be cheap and safe (the Royal Navy had converted from coal to oil). Against these interests, Lawrence and Feisal had no chance.

Afterwards, in his suppressed introduction to Seven Pillars. Lawrence put it with succinct pathos: "Youth could win, but had not learned to keep; and was pitiably weak against age." In 1937, after Lawrence was dead. Young, asked to contribute to a volume of reminiscences about Lawrence, could still not choke back his bile. He wrote, "T. E. possessed all the qualifications for success, including, it must be admitted, the faculty of calculated unscrupulousness . . .

Lawrence has always polarised opinion, as Puttnam and I found when we took the project to Jeremy Isaacs, then still the head of Channel Four. Isaacs said he thought Lawrence was an appalling figure and could not see why it was worth our time making a film about him. Once Anglia Television had backed the film, the task of playing the first new screen Lawrence for a generation fell to Ralph Fiennes, the young RSC

Fiennes was no more physically the real Lawrence than Peter O'Toole; he was taller and, like O'Toole, more gracefully in balance than Lawrence. Lawrence's

Enigma variations: Peter O'Toole, star of David Lean's film, and his subject, Colonel Lawrence (right), a man of subtle layers who exploited his celebrity to the hilt

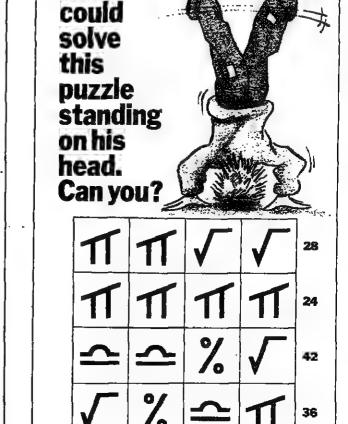
physique did not seem equal to the A Dangerous Man. Lawrence
 After Arabia will be shown on ITV
 on Saturday. Clive Irving conlegend: he was barely 5ft 6in tall at full stretch and his body never seemed sufficient foundation for his head. Fiennes managed to internalise his part, catching details like Lawrence's contorted Arts.. body language and, particularly, his maladrolt terror of sexual

advances from women. When I saw his performance, having worked on the project for II years, I knew that, at last, we had finally detached Lawrence from Peter O'Toole.

Einstein

INSIDE Parents Science.

TOMORROW Rock: fund-raising for Aids



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A dead loss at saying those goodbyes

ome week soon, I'm going to brighten up this space with some touches of cheering light, splash some joy around the prison walls. Week after week in this column, you get nothing but moaning and griping about pains and losses, sorrows and confusions. Aren't you sick of it? I don't blame you. Enough of that misery aiready.

Any day now, I'll be able to rave about the magnolia in bloom in the middle of my lawn. About the same time, we should be licensed to dance around it to celebrate Ipswich Town's elevation to the Premier Division. While we wait, can we have a word about

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I just have to say that I don't think I can take another duff funeral. If I get another fey invitation, twined in violets and the life of, I think I may go Roman. If I have to see off another of my old friends to the tunes of and a reading of Dylan Thomas's Do not go gentle into that good get thrown in temper.

night, I fear I may run embarrassingly amok, brandishing Kaddish or the Book of Common Prayer and bellowing, "Whatever happened to solemn ritual? Did we

These gatherings are such a strain. As if it's not hard enough to be paying last respects to a beloved friend, sharing grief with the bereaved and looking around to see who might be next, you have to improvise obsequies. You don't know for sure what you should be wearing, where you should be standing and whether it would be taken as a social infelicity to drop a tear or ask to dance with that looker you haven't seen for 15

years. There is never a coffin in sight and rarely an urn of ashes, so you've got nothing physical to turn to except a bottle and a plate of lacking a kick-off time, to a sandwiches. Without ceremony gathering of friends to celebrate and the ministers to lead it, the gathering takes no form beyond the inevitable end of maudlin drunkenness and is, thus, indistin-Eric Clapton's All Our Past Times guishable from any other midlife knees-up, except that glasses rarely

MIDLIFE

Neil Lyndon finds celebrations of the life of' mainly forgettable

The departed are, on the whole, a dead loss. Most of my friends who have passed on left neither forwarding address nor clear instructions of their last rites, except io say "No prayers, hymns or flowers": which would be fine if we could all have agreed on more fitting substitutes.

The Big Chill generation is making as much of a kibosh out of laving its members to rest as they (we) made of weddings twenty years ago and the blessing of babies ten years ago. Somehow, it feels more serious as a deficiency when it comes to funerals; perhaps it's just harder to see the comedy in them. Those who look back to the Love Story wows they plighted in beads and velvers in 1970 may console themselves with the giggle that we were all so silly then. That

excuse wears thin in the grave. Confident that it knew better than its elders, my lot junked all the rituals we had inherited of baptism or circumcision, first communion or bar mitzvah, wedding and funeral (I'm not big on circumcision, myself: but that's not the point). Our swank was that those gathered millennia of refinement did not express our true emotions and we were pleased to tell the priests that they were hypocrites. They must be smiling

now that the ends are nigh. The only truly successful funeral I have attended in the last five years was that of a very young man who took advantage of his months in hospital to devise his ceremony.

We gathered in a crematorium with his coffin dramatically placed, no messing, in the focus of light and attention. His father, opened the service with a full explanation of the ceremony to

Afterwards, we all lined up to shake the hands of the family and, astonishingly, to be consoled by his mother. Everybody took their

time, finding full place for their feelings. It's a curious thing to find that a funeral can be a gift from the dead to the living; but that's how it felt and will always, unforgettably, feel. Most of the gatherings of

friends I have attended to celebrate the life of ... have been, blessedly, forgettable. They do not mar the memories of the friends I loved in life; but they do nothing to relieve the solitude which death confirms. The purpose and utility, surely, of obsequies is the sharing of mourning and the celebration of continuing life in those who are left. If you are not allowed a form of mourning, you may not feel released to celebrate. This is, perhaps, not the only big point to have been missed by the Big Chill generation, but it seems to me to be among the more grievous. Thomas Cranmer's prayers may be found to have been somewhat hotter on this point than Eric Clapton.

> TOMORROW Single life: Lynne Truss

THE HERY ANGEL: The first staging by a leading British company (in Russian) of Prokofiee's opera The Fiery Angel, conducted by Edward Downes, and stated by the impartmental fluster. conducted by converse and staged by the innovative director, David Freeman, it is also the first co-production between The Royal Opera and Kirov Opera. The cast includes three Soviet

1935: SOprano Galina Gonschalinga a Renata, bantone Paata Burchuladze as the Inquisitor and Serger Lesterkus as the Knight, and with Robert Tear singing Mephisto, First night, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WCZ (871-240 1066), 8pm. JOHN KEANE: GULF. There are,

happily, not so many wor artists around today; the specialisation is left mostly to photographers. But John Keane has somehow come to be connected with records and evocations of war, and so it was been the back that the was logical that he should be patched to cast a cool eve on the Gulf Not, in the event, so good as that, for whatever his personal attitude to war may be, he is clearly not immune to the excitements of combat as well as the prty and terror. I**mperial War Museum**, Lambeth Road, London SE1 (071-416 5315). Daily, 10am-6pm, until May 31.

OTTO DIX: This retrospective shows that the German painter began with innocuous self-portraits, was shocked into Expressionist violence and Dada stragery by the hirst world wor, and ended the Twenties as an adherent of the Neue Sachitober (new objectivity), using probing realism to embody soul chosms. During the Nazi period he found refuge in religious paining and landscape. Afterwards he took on a cloudy sort of symbolism, and ended with urisazing pagmas of the artist in with unspaning portraits of the artist in old age. A thrilling odyssey which marks Dux as a significant figure in 20th-

Century art. Tate Gellery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5 50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, until May 17.

MANGELS IN AMERICA: Thriling

National (Corposion), 5011-928 2252) Tonight, tomorro 7 30pm, mat tomorrow, 2.30pm,

formances in Tony Kushner's chating state-of-the-Union drama

on Aids, religion, politics, everything. National (Cottasion). South Bank, SE1

I BACK UP THE HEARSE AND LET THEM SHIPE THE PLOWING: The Int of the salesman: Wilham Gaminara's comedy pouns out the mid-s but sampling risease inner the salesman.

symplifies deeper issues Hampstead, Swiss Cottage Centre, Avenue Road, NA/3 (071-722 9301), Mon-Sat, Bpm. met Sat, 4pm. 120mins,

THE COTTON CLUB: An impression of the Hariem nightspot: high on energy, low on story freshness. Aldweych, The Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Fr. 7.30pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 2 30pm, Sat, 4pm. 150mms.

THE DAIL HIVE: Accomplished revival of Rodney Ackland's 1937 drama. naivety and nostalgra in an England

drifting lowerds war. Orange Tree, Clarence Street, Richmond (081-940 3633) Mon-Sat.

7 45pm, mai Thurs, 2 30pm, Sat. 4pm,

DEATH AND THE MAIDER: Julies

III DEATH AND THE MADDET, UNIV. Stevenson, Michael Byrne, Bill Paterson superb in And Dorfman's Chiean pontical drama. Best play of 1991. Duke of York's, 5t Martin's Lune, W.C.2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, Spm, mats Thurs, 3 pm, Set, 4 pm, 120mms, (MS. new cast from April 18.)

LIMERURE Sometimes draft fook at the funtaises of a frustrated woman married to a soccer nut. Duschees, Catherine Street, WC2 (071-494 5073). Mon-Trurs, 8pm, Fri, Sat, 6pm and 8 45pm, 130mms

I PROM A JACK TO A KING: With

the top, set of the world of rock bands

and packed with Sopies songs. Boulevard, Walker's Court, off Pater Street, W1 (071-437 2661 after 2pm).

THE DOCTOR (12), Callous surgeon

(Wilham Hurt) goes under the knife and becomes a better person. Familiar

tenal, but lively treatment. Dire

Randa Haines, Barbican (071-638 8891) MGM

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◆ FINAL ANALYSIS (15): Psychiatrist

and Gere talk for a patient's same

Richard Gere falls for a parient's sizer (Km Basinger) and gets more than he bargained for. Overwrought pastiche metodrama, director, Phil Joanou. McGM Palhara Road (071-926-0310) McGM Shahara Road (071-936-0310) McGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-936-0310) McGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-936-0310) McGM Shaftesbury Avenue (071-727-0705) Plazza (071-497-9999) Whitteleys (071-792-3332).

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auridry attendant. Quietly hilanous ninimalist exercise from Japanese

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THE MAGIC RIDDLE (U). Playful sumble

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feture to Neverland to hight Captain Hook. Much lud-pleasing spectacle, but httle magic. With Robin Williams, Dustin

Holfman, director, Sleven Spielberg.

NEW RELEASES

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THEATRE GUIDE

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

directs Samantha Bond in As You Like It, his first production in the main theatre.

Previous begin tonight and the production opers on April 22 Royal Shakespeare Theatra (0789 295623) Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mats

RSC LONDON: Katle Mitchell directs

Saska Reeres in Neywood's Yorkshire tragedy, A Woman Killed With Kindness, her first RSC production. The Pit, Barbican Centre, London EC2

(071-638 8891), opening night, 7pm.

BERLIN BERTIE: A strongly cast Howard Brenton drama, with Dian

Howard Brenton drama, with Diana fleeing from East Berlin to her sister (Penny Downie) but pursued by the sinister Bertie (Nicholas Woodeson).

Royal Court, Sloane Square, London

SW1 (07)-730 1745), opening right,

ANNIE TEIRESA DE KEDISMAEKER

The Turning World season of European dance opens with the experimental

company Rosas to the South Bank for

two nights. Her new production, Achterland, sets out to probe "the

Achteriand, sets out to proce hinterlands of gender relationships" is performed to the music of Gyorgy

Lighti and Eugène Ysaye. Queen Elizabeth Haff, South Bank Centre, London SE1 (071-928 8800), (onight, tomorrow, 7.45pm.

MRMINGRAM HOYAL BALLET: The

company visits Eastbourne with Peter Wright's production of Gibelle, the story of a gentle peasant gri driven to her grave by the betrayal of her aristocratic

Thurs, Sat. 1 30pm.

RSC STRATFORD: David Thacks

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of current theatre showing in London

If House full, returns only

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Seats at all prices

GOOD ROOKIN' TONITE: Satisfying musical celebrating Fifties and Skities pop classics. Great stuff Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue (071-839 4401), Mon-Thurs, Sprt, Fr., Set, 5.30pm and 8.30pm, 150mins. E HEARTIBREAK HOUSE: PON Scotled and Vanesa Redgrave head Trevor Nurvi's splendid cast in Shaw's briefess, state-of-England drama. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SWI (071-930 8800), Mon-Sel, 7.30pm, mels Wed, Sal, 2.30pm, 225mms.

El MORY DICK: A gris' school puts on a fund-rasing show. Tony Monopoly plays a headmistress playing Captain Ahab Beached musical. Piccadilly, Denman Street, W1 (071-867 1118). Mor-Sit, Born, mats Tues, Sal. dom. 139-ners. Sal, 4pm. 135mms.

MURRINUMING JUDGES: David Have, tacking our rotting legal system, delivers skillful blows with his customery wit nd passion. actional (Offivier), South Bank, SE 1 actional (Offivier) (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomo 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm, 165mns.

LITHE POOLET DIESANG FORIST burlesque of A Midsummer Night's Dream, with Mike McShane and Sandi Toksing Deckcated fans only. Albery, St Marist's Lane, WC2 (071-857 1115), Tues-Sat, 7.45pm, mais Sat, I SOME LIKE IT NOT: I'm what we

CINEMA GUIDE

films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

fringe benefits. Starring k.d. lang and Rosel Zech. Matro (071-437 0757). **CURRENT**

LA RELLE NOISEUSE -LA BALLE MOISEUSSE —
DOWNERTIMENTO (18): Fascinating two-hour dispest of Jacques Rivette's epic about the painter, his model and an unifinished carnes. With Michel Piccoli, Emmanusite Béart.
Milmenta (071-235 42-25).

 BUGSY (18)* Warren Beatty as Buggy Segel, the gangster who invented Las Vegas. Seek, with, dazzing to behold. Starming Annette Behing; director, Barry

Camden Purkway (071-267 7034) MGM Chyken (071-352 5096) MGM leymarket (071-839 1527) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzania 915683) Screen on Baker (071-935 2772) Whiteleys (071-

 CAPE FEAR (18)* Demonic ex-con Robert De Niro terrorises Nick Notte and lamity. Martin Scorsese's ferocous remake of a classic revenge thinler. With remake of a classic revenge printer, who lessed Lange, Juliette Lewis.
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DECEIVED (15): Goldie Hawn as the wife who doubts her husband's identity Psychological thriller, weak on story, but strong on atmosphere. Stars John Heard; director, Damuer Harris. changes to an attractive Imple Bill comprising Galina Samsova's production of Les Sylphades, together with two MacMillan ballets: the company's restaging of his 1958 psycho-drama The Burrow, and Effe Surconstructs set in the summon rap. Syncopations, set to the swinging rag-time music of Scott Jophin. Congress Theatre, Carlisle Road, Eastbourne (03/2/41/555) Innumbers Eastbourne (0323 41 1555), tonight-Sat, 7.30pm, mai Sat, 2.30pm. THE WORST WITCH: A new family

lover. On Thursday the programmy

musical based on till Murphy's bestseller of the same name, following the accident prone life of Mildred Hubble, pupil at the Academy of Witches. Extraordinary special effects and withy stage tricks are promised.

Hexagon Theatre, Queen's Walk, Reating (0734 591591), tomght-Sat, 2,30pm and 7pm

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THE programme for the latest show from Ra-Ra Zoo, that "circus theatre of imagineering", gives us a brief rundown of chaos theory, an ambiguous nod in the direction of a hidden order Ticket information supplied by Society of West End Theatre where the beating of a butterfly's wing can, in the right set of conditions, cause

Never mind. The swing between chaos and order in this seven-strong divertissement is achieved with nothing more metaphysical than an aerialist's rope, a juggler's clubs and a trundling black cube with a cheeky proboscis that resembles a corrugated elephant trunk.

The siender thread of a plot is provided by a lost aviator stranded in a world of tumblers, juggiers, dancers and acrobats. Andrea Carr's design, with its yellow canvas triangle, green

WHEN Rossini's great tragic opera

Ermione was rejected by Naples in 1819, the composer withdrew the score

from the Italian impresario, saying:

"You will encounter it again sooner or

Not until 1987, at the Pesaro

festival, was the work staged again.

This past weekend London has been

hearing it for the first time, and

hearing it, what is more, conducted by

Mark Elder with the period instru-

ments of the Orchestra of the Age of

Perhans it had to take this long

Through having our ears opened, progressively, to the opera seria of

Handel and Mozart, we have at last

acquired a real hunger and thirst for

the genre. True Rossini voices of range

and stamina had to ripen once again; instrumental playing had to tune itself

Friday's performance (repeated on

Sunday) was a glorious vindication of

timing. Racine's Andromaque, on

to the music's sensibility.

Enlightenment.

of liquorice allsorts. The airman attempts to fit in. occasionally addressing the audience in rhyming couplets. Chris Cresswell's

screen and red floor, clothes the cast in

tights and jerkins of bright primary

colours. The effect is as edible as a bag

ROCK

Country benefits

from democracy

The Highwaymen

Wembley Arena

with no obvious attempts at spotlight-

hogging by any of the performers. But

despite his unassuming demeanour,

Nelson possesses the greatest gift. He

phrases with a conversational intimacy

currently unmatched in any area of

vocalising and that stands comparison

with a young Sinatra. Only the

continuing marginalisation of country

music within popular culture can be

blamed for his not being more widely

appreciated as one of the great singers

enough to flow over and around the

melody line on a brisk "On The Road

Again" or to bring a jazz sensibility to

the cabaret swing of "Night Life". An

ability to temper the most urgent and

histrionic lyrics with a sense of detach-

ment made thrilling stuff of the old

chestnut "Ghost Riders In The Sky",

and lent a stoic simplicity that was nothing short of breathtaking to "Al-

There was excellent work from an

astonishingly youthful-looking

Kristofferson too, alone on "Why Me?"

or on versions of his compositions

"Sunday Morning's Coming Down"

and "Lovin" Her Was Easier" that

draw on the robust harmonies and

Cash and Jennings chose less promi-

nent solo roles: the former's dry

delivery compensated for the over

familiarity of "Folsom Prison Blues" or

"I Walk The Line", while the latter's

"Luckenbach, Texas" or "Are You Sure Hank Done It This Way" displayed a

self-referential humour that acknowl-

ways On My Mind".

guitar playing of all four.

His voice is light, sweet and fluid

of the age.

THERE were very few stetsons or other

emblems of Country and Western

kitsch to be spotted in a slightly less

than full arena, suggesting that the

audience for this four-man supergroup

lies among serious students of the

genre rather than weekend cowboys

and girls. And rightly too. If Waylon

Jennings and Kris Kristofferson fall

only a little short of legendary status.

there can be no doubt that the

distinctive faces of Willie Nelson and

Johnny Cash deserve to be hewn on

Their collaboration had its begin-

nings in the 1976 pairing of Jennings

and Nelson on the album Outlaws.

and it has managed since then to

preserve that record's sense of being at

odds with the Nashville establishment.

Now, of course, all four have been too

long in the saddle to have any claim to

the preserve of angry young ish men

and have adopted instead their current

collective title for two albums which,

although erratic, contain enough inspirational moments to have raised

expectations for this first of three

Backed by a versatile and energetic Nineties band, they slid on stage to the opening bars of their signature an-

them "Highwayman", on which the respective merits of all four voices are

displayed. Nelson opened, his tones

plangent and clear, followed by the

gruff but effective Kristofferson. Then

came the Jennings baritone and the

stage-shaking drawl of a characteristi-

cally black-clad Cash. And so it went

over the course of the next two hours:

solo turns, or playing and singing that

drew on the available permutations of

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it was a democratic performance.

British appearances.

the four stars.

popular music's Mount Rushmore.

long oval face is more surreal than the muscular caperings or elegant prestidigitation he observes, sabbotages and joins. The show is little more than a series of turns performed to Merlin Shepherd's haunting music with immense charm and an enthusiastic eagemess to please.

The company's co-founders are not visible, but the melancholy chin-less comedy of Dave Spathaky and the aerialist contortions of Sue Broadway. combined with their new co-director Birte Pedersen (the mock-ferocious one in the all-woman group Burnt Bridges), live on.

Jeremy Robins and Jackie Sysum with peried strength an balance. Lindsey Butcher swings and tumbles with assurance and the Finnish Kati Yla-Hokkala does graceful things with ribbons when not partnering Sean Gandini. All have excellent credentials.

MARTIN HOYLE

THEATRE Called to the bar

edged the comic potential of four such

In America, the current boom that

has carried slick newcomers like Garth

Brooks and George Strait to the top of

the pop charts has pushed artists like

these off country radio and into the

history books. Yet for all its retrospec-

tion, the Highwaymen's London show

grizzled survivors.

Waylon Jennings: ready to acknowledge his own comic potential

this year.

Just the One Tricycle, Kilburn

'IN THE beginning was darkness," intones the spotlit speaker. "But if you went round the side door you could get in." So opens Eamon Morrissev's personal view of drink, pubs and people". A director of Dublin Comedy Theatre. Morrissey brings his oneman show to that outpost of Hibernia in NW6, the Kilburn Tricycle. An accomplished solo performer of

Swift, Joyce and Myles na Gopaleen, Morrissey has a slightly beaky, slightly beefy face, very Irish, something between a pugilist and a professor of philosophy. Here he strolls into the territory of the stand-up comic. The Bar (the capital letter is somehow suggested by the way he says the word) may provide the background, but the talk ranges well beyond the snug and

far from the Liffey.
In mapping "the road from just the one to never again" Morrissey takes in yuppies, or rather yumdabs (young upwardly mobile in daddy's businessi. well-heeled charity workers and Spanish resorts with "real Dublin pubs"... mixed grills and tea. These digressions are agreeable

remains an object lesson in line

songwriting and relaxed showman-

ship. And with the self-effacing Nelson

as its star, it achieves moments of grace

and emotional intensity unlikely to be

equalled by any performer at Wembley

ALAN JACKSON

enough but one wishes he would go deeper into the subject of social drinking, its function as an intellectualspur, its importance to the linsh psyche... His depiction of the first unwitting drink of fermented matter taken in the desert 8,000 years ago, and the resultant change from primitive peas-

ant misery to euphona, is very funity. His survey of pub types reveals a more satirical touch: reminders of the Great Local Character and the larmighty, unstoppable pub bore": while his resume of cultural summer sension. and arts festivals trather near in: knuckle in Dublint with their James Joyce lookalike compensions ("won by a local girl") has a brimstone whiti of irum. I ne snow nad its premiere i: Dublin a year and a half ago, and itall its enjoyable jollity whether it has become a trifle cosy. A touch of that curmudgeonly Dean of Si Patrick's that the actor knows so well might not come amiss

MARTIN HOYLE

CONCERT

Rossini's rare eloquence

Ermione QEH

which Ermione is based, was an opera. waiting to be written. Take a post-war melting pot of passion, three intertwined lovers' rejections, and the stage

is set for a battle to the death. The wonder of Ermione is the way in which Rossini manages to go straight to the heart of Racine's tragedy. With unfailing dramatic judgment, and the sort of compression opera does so well, he sends an electric charge through each progressive crisis until the pity and fear of the denouement are finally

First there is Ermione herself. She, not the more passive and consistent

Andromaca, is the obvious operatic heroine racked by love-hate, volatile, manipulative and ready, too, for la vendena. Another wonder: Rossini actually humanises Racine's "inhumaine", and makes her chill passion into the stuff of flesh, blood and raw nerve endings. Anna Caterina Antonacci reveals fearlessly the music which expresses so wide and subtle a

range of emotions that one scarcely notices its technical bravura. Oreste, too, infatuated with and manipulated by Ermione, is made a more excitingly sympathetic figure than in Racine. Music extends his selfpitying fatalism to a complex study of hysteria. The little appoggiaturas, the use made of the ostensibly chirpy cabaletta to reveal his gaucheness, all

rang out to searing effect in the voice of

Andromaca herself is no mere cipher. Judith Forst explores the rich ness of this mezzo role, the ardour within its dignity. Pyrrhus, in love with Andromaca and beloved of Ermione, is given a duet with Andromaca which

is extraordinary in its progression. as well as being one of the longest and most wide-ranging tenor arias Rossini ever wrote. Keith Lewis rose to its demands effortlessly.

The opera indulges the full cast of confidants and confidantes with music of scarcely less eloquence. But the true confidants here are the members of the orchestra. On period instruments, the quality of Rossini's writing for claring and flute, for tense, stabbing trombone and tremulous strings was pointed unmistakably. And the Rossinian crescendo will never sound the same again,

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Paris parades its spring collections

John Russell Taylor, impressed by the wealth of painting and sculpture on offer in the French capital this spring, reviews the best of the current Paris exhibitions

visitor from London in Paris is the sheer variety and profusion of art shows on at any given moment, and the irrelevance of most of them to any concept of commercial viability as it would normally be understood by those in charge of London's main public

Of course, not everything in Paris has trouble finding a large audience. At present the crowds are likely to be thickest at the Grand Palais: outside for The Vikings (drawn no doubt by the lure of so much gold, however unartistically worked) and inside for Toulouse-Lautrec, which is France's first major experiment with timed entry

pre-ticketing.
Once inside, there is no doubting the popularity of Lautrec: the show is much more crowded and difficult to negotiate than its comparable predecessor on Seurat, and certainy much more so than it ever was in the Hayward Gallery, which it vacated in January. Also, so far as they can be glimpsed, the pictures look good at the Grand Palais and perhaps more at home there than in the Hayward.

On the other hand, it is hard to imagine in any circumstances that crowds might rush to see such ambitious but relatively obscure shows as Pedro Figuri at the Pavillon des Arts or Sima at the Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris. Even the most cultivated Parisians might well find themselves wondering who the artists

could possibly be.
Figari (1861-1938) was in fact the most famous and important of Uruguayan painters, which does not tell Europeans much more. But it evidently should. Figuri painted mostly ethnic scenes of Uruguay and southern Brazil with the palette of Vuillard. At first glance these pictures appear to be naive, but the very earliest works, efficiently academic, show that it took him time and trouble to be so simple. The flavour is sweet and sharp; one of the most quirky and attractive

shows in town. Joseph Sima (1891-1971) perhaps suffered from falling between nationalities. He was a Czech who settled in Paris at the age of 30 and subsequently played quite a prominent part in various Surrealist groups, especially that which formed round the avant-garde magazine Le Grand Jeu, to which a

hat always amazes the ed. He seems to have regarded it as part of his mission to constitute a cultural bridge between France and Czechoslovakia, and ended up not being quite claimed by either

> Also, it must be admitted, he is a remarkably difficult artist to pin down: every few years his style changes radically, as he progresses briskly from Realism to Cubism to Purism to Geometrical Abstraction to Surrealism and on. However, each style is developed with panache and originality, and he is certainly an artist worth meeting, if perhaps not quite so extensively as at the MAM.

The opportunity to encounter him seems to be offered primarily because there is some kind of informal Czech season going on in Paris at present. At the MAM there is also a show of contemporary Czech art called Prague-Bratislava, which shows 15 artists of uniform confidence and sophistication, if wildly varied stylistic allegiances. Czechoslovakia since the Velvet Revolution appears, in the arts at least, to have moved back to its natural place in the centre of Europe with a minimum of fuss.

Crech season, though, is a splendid, eye-opening show of Cubismes Tchèques at the Pompidou Centre, presented (rather oddly) by the Centre de la Création Industrielle rather than by the Musée National d'Art Moderne. True, it contains some uniquely wild and wayward furniture and ceramics, taking Cubist segmentation to extremes unheard of elsewhere in quasiindustrial design. But the heart of the show is the great range of paintings and sculpture, mostly from the Twenties, which includes not only the more familiar names like Kunka and Gutfreund, but also a number of evidently important artists hitherto hardly known outside their native land.

The most consistently interesting seems to be Bohumil Kubista, who is seen developing from Symbolism and Post-Impressionism to his own idiosyncratic combination of Cubist form and flaring Fauve colouring. But others, like Antonin Prochazka and Otakar Kubin, clearly call for more profound exploration.

Meanwhile, upstairs the Musee has commenced what seems likely to be an extended examination of the work of Georges Rouantt. This



Figures in constant movement: detail of a penitent Magdalen by the 18th-century sculptor Clodion, from an exhibition of his work currently on view at the Louvre

1920 and only right at the end do we encounter the familiar Rouault of the dark and anguished religious pictures, and the strong black outlines inset with jewels of intense colour that make all his paintings look like stained glass.

Earlier on there are some elaborately Symbolist works that make clear his debt to his teacher Gustave Moreau, some large painted ce-ramics, and some anticipations of his other favourite subject in later life, the circus down. There are also, surprisingly, many pictures which place the spectator in the position of the Hollywood wag who declared that he knew Doris Day before she was a virgin: what is the intense religious painter of the inter-war years doing drawing

louche ladies? The show is fascinating as it demonstrates how the various strands in Rouault's art gradually came together.

Not everything on in Paris is concerned with the early Modern period. The Louvre's principal exhibition is devoted to the 18thcentury sculptor Clodion: primarily his terracotta and plaster models, but also a few fine marbles like the full-length seated portrait of Mon-tesquieu commissioned in 1778 for a series of "Grands Hommes de la France" intended to decorate the Grande Galerie of the Louvre.

Though Clodion could command the grand manner when required to do so, and became much more sober and Neo-Classical under the Empire (he lived until

works are the frilly rococo pieces with the figures in constant, often playful movement. The style is best designed for mythological fantasies scattered with nymphs and cupids, but works well too for penitent Magdalens and agitated deathbed

t is understandable enough that none of the shows so far mentioned, apart from Toulouse-Lautrec, should have come anywhere near Britain, or be likely to do so. But it is really disturbing that the great retrospec-tive of Richard Parkes Bonington, now at the Petit Palais after its first showing at Yale, should end its tour without visiting London. Bonington, after all, though he

France, is listed even by the Louvre as "Ecole Anglaise" and the rich background material shown along with his own work is as much English (Turner, Prout) as French (Huet, Delacroix). Nor is there the traditional excuse that Britain has no lever in the way of vital loans for such a show: a high proportion

comes from English collections. Still, it is good that a comprehensive Bonington show has been done at all. He comes over as an artist of astonishing enterprise and originality, achieving an extraordinary development in his 25 years. Even in the artistic relation with Delacroix, with whom he shared a studio, it is far from clear who influenced whom and who thought of what first. They seem to be

Swan's

away

HAVING discarded Natalia

Makarova's expensive and

short-lived production of Swan Lake, English National

Ballet has now announced

that its artistic director. Ivan

Nagy, will restage the Tchai-kovsky classic for the 1993

spring season. The new ver-

sion will be based on John

Field's 1982 production (de-

Nagy, the new Swan Lake

"will continue our plan of

renewing the entire classical

repertoire of the company over

Lieder to follow

THE tenor Werner Hollweg

has devised a four-night

Schubertiade which takes

place at the newly restored

Blackheath Concert Halls

At pains to recover at least

some of the atmosphere of

those informal occasions when

Schubert and his poet friends

would meet to enjoy each

other's work. Hollweg intends

that music students will be

invited to come and sit on the

platform while the musicians

the next few years".

from May 6 to 9.

much as Picasso and Braque were at the beginning of Cubism, and jointly and inseparably to have achieved almost as revolutionary

Toulouse-Lautrec and The Vikings are at the Grand Palais (telephone booking for Lautrec 4804 3886) until June I and July 12 respectively.

Pedro Figari is at the Pavillon des
Arts (4233 8250) until May 24.

Sima, Le Grand Jeu and PragueBratislava are at the Musée de l'Art
Moderne de la Ville de Paris (4732

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Pompidou (4277 1233) until May 17

and May 4 respectively.

Oldion is in the Hall Napoléon of

the Louvre (4020 5229) until June 29. Richard Parkes Bonington is at the

perform below them. Letters

from, to or about Schubert will be recited in two languages and each of the four evenings

will be built around a single

theme. The four concerts

include contributions from

Vokalensemble Zürich and

BARBARA JEFFORD, and

not the previously announced

the Endymion Ensemble.

Hall ends well

DANCE PREVIEW

Pushing emotions beyond the brink

Allen Robertson talks to the experimental Belgian choreographer whose work opens

London's festival of new European dance

he Belgian choreographer Anne Teresa De Keersmacker is one of those provocative artists who define the cutting edge. And her company. Rosas, is also one of Europe's most successful. Now ensconced in the Théâtre de la Monnaie, the Brussels opera house that played host to Maurice Béjart and Mark Morris before her, De Keersmaeker is the heir apparent to Germany's Pina Bausch and an influence on dancemakers around the world. Tonight her company arrives in London to perform Achterland as the opening event of this year's "Turning World" festival of European

contemporary dance. At only 32. De Keersmaeker has been at the forefront of experimental European dance for almost a decade. Her work marries the rigours of American minimalism with the emotive European expressionism spawned by Bausch. The result is an exhaustive display of relentless energy that is enhanced by De Keersmaeker's determination that audiences see her dancers from a dra-

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matic point of view. Her tenth choreographic work, Achierland, is a personal view of the "hinterlands of gender relationships" and is performed to the music of

ALL big cities have an un-

seemly underbelly. What makes Los Angeles different is

the starkness of the contrast

between the Tinseltown im-

violent disorder of other dis-

streets of the Newton district

("Shootin' Newton"), shadow-

pressurised by a policy of

actively seeking out trouble.

Gyorgy Ligeti and Eugene Ysaye, played live by violinist Irvine Arditti and pianist Rolf Hind. It is dominated by powerful movement patterns that push dancers - and audiences - towards an emotional brink. Yet, in the midst of accumulating violence, De Keersmaeker devises moments of luxuriant calm.

In the 90-minute Achterland there are even sections where the movement steps aside for the music. "My basic frame", she says, "is always music. You could call it my inspiration — whatever the word really means." However one defines it, De

Keersmaeker's sources of inspiration are idiosyncratic and deeply personal. "I like to bring out individual qualities. My dances are very much decided by the people who perform them. You make final decisions and choose initial directions, but you don't make dances alone. The dancers all have a very, very important creative role."

She formed Rosas in 1983 and for the first few years the troupe was exclusively female. The decision to use only women came about because she wanted audiences to concentrate on her structural manipulation of movement. "In the very beginning", she



Provocative success: Anne Teresa de Keersmaeker

explains, "I was working with the minimal, repetitive music of Steve Reich. It was very important. I thought, to work with the same so that every little articulated difference in the movement could be perceived clearly. If you're working with a man and a woman you start with a difference already, rather than introducing it through the dancing."

Both sexes may appear in-Achterland but the choreographer has chosen not to have them actually dancing with one another. The men and the women are quite separate. but I think that brings them closer together. It makes the desire of being close very much

stronger, makes the tension feel very much more loaded and suggestable. I think the unsaid thing - being more present by not being there - is very much more potent."

With the Monnaie residency. she may enjoy the enormous resources of an opera house, but De Keersmacker is also happy working on a smaller scale. "Larger is not always necessarily better. I don't want to have too large a group. I would rather grow a

 Achterland is at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank (07) 928 8800) tonight and tomorro at 7.45 pm

RADIO REVIEW

Go with the swing

NO POINT in beating about the bush. At 10 p.m. last Thursday, when my critical ear should have been grafted to a radio, I was watching television. As the election results began to trickle in, it was impossible to resist the spectacle of Peter Snow doing his Peter Snow impression, of Robin Day snorting at jargonising candidates, of reporters at poll counts not being able to hear what David Dimbleby was saying to them. and of the once mighty wearing the ricus grin of plucky

defeat. I'm talking about the opinion polisters, of course. Anyway, duty done by mid-night, and time to go to the best political party in town, which you could attend without ever leaving the comfort of your own duvet. Admission was gained simply by sticking a hearing aid in your ear, tucking the transfy under your pillow and tuning into Radio 4, where Brian Redhead was

having the time of his life. Radio really is the best medium for the coverage of elections. You don't have to applaud the set, decode the graphics or watch endless shots of closed doors behind which some politician may or may not be lurking. All you have to do is close your eyes, lie back and think of England. And Scotland, and Northern Ireland, and the possible swing in Basildon.

Redhead is the perfect host for an election night party in fact, he's the only political presenter who understands that public perception of the event has more in common with runners in the Grand

National than who will nun the nation. His wicked glee, often so self-indulgent and grating in the early mornings, sets exactly the right mood for a programme that comes at the other end of the day and only once every five years or so, and that dedicates itself to the close examination of shattered

egos and hollow boasts. Some say that Redhead was biased during the election and they might be right, in that he seemed happy to voice the prejudice of most ordinary people against most ordinary exactly call a plague on all their houses, he didn't exactly sympathise with their discomfort either. If anything, Redhead handled the election like a gameshow host. As the night wore on and results rolled in. Redhead seemed to be getting so much chirpier I suspect he was, being taken outside every

hour and hosed down. By Friday morning you also had the impression that Redhead had barricaded himself in the studio and was refusing to come out until he had spoken to every single person Japanese woman in Tokyo who didn't quite seem to know why she was on the line, and answered Redhead's enquiries about the state of the Yen, the forthcoming Japanese election and the Tokyo government's attitude to John Major with: "I don't know about that". Perhaps she was just cleaning the mom when he called, but then at the best parties, everyone is made welcome.

PATRICK STODDART

signs by Carl Toms) and promises to be "a traditional reworking". According to

ARTS BRIEF

Rosemary Harris, will play the ford when Peter Hall's production of All's Well That Ends Well opens at The Swan. Harris opted out of Shakespeare's play in favour of a West End production of Neil Simon's Lost in Yonkers. which she is currently playing on Broadway.

Last chance...

THE English National Opera revival of Rossini's The Barber of Seville is rooted in commedia dell'arte or, not to put too fine a point on it, slapstick. But there is one performance of humane comic proportions, very much in key with Rossini's score, in Andrew Shore's huffing, snuffling, querulous Bartolo. Michael Lewis in the title role is the best of the rest and for the final performance on Thursday at the Coliseum Merry is the conductor.

TELEVISION REVIEW

Force of argument fails to persuade

ages emanating from Beverley Hills and Hollywood and the aspects of the problem last week, in which the voices were night Granada's allowed to speak for themselves. World In Action's ver-World In Action took to the sion should have been even more effective, but it lost some of its edge with a voice-over ing a police force long under that took a clear (and hostile) pressure from many of the position about the police

area's residents but newly Not that there is any lack of things to be hostile about. The The Times ran a feature on

infamous case in which the Los Angeles Police Department is being sued for \$56 million after four officers were shown on an amateur video beating up a black motorist stopped for speeding seems to have been merely excessive rather than untypical. The clear impression from this flyon-the-wall film is that the LAPD, faced with a city in

which 1,000 people are murdered every year, has lost what little chance there may have been of converting the community to its cause.

police helicopter with nothing better to do spots a car being "driven erratically". The chopper plays a searchlight on the car and ground patrols race to

are taken out of the car, searched, handcufffed and made to sit on a kerb. The police believe the vehicle is stolen, but their computer Consider a small matter. A does not list it as stolen. The police conclude not that the car is owned by the driver, as claimed, but that the theft of the car has yet to be reported.

After an hour of question-

A police woman turns to the camera: "We can't show a crime has been committed so we'll let them go for an hour or so until they do commit a crime."

World In Action made a passing reference to improved detection rates since the aggressive policy began and we could have benefited from more about that. On the evidence presented last night, the inference can only be that a police force with a hell of job is making a rod for its own

PETER BARNARD



Storm clouds over the Black Sea

The second battle of Sevastopol is being fought with words, for the moment, as Russia and Ukraine squabble over the "Soviet" fleet. Michael Evans reports

anging in the information office at the Black Sea Fleet headquarters in the Crimean port of Sevastopol is a large map. Anyone looking for an insight into the current military tug-of-war between Russia and Ukraine, the two giants of the former Soviet empire, will find one here. Russian naval officers have pencilled their own imaginary border around Ukraine, leaving out Crimea. This lush former Russian peninsula was handed over as a gift to the Ukrainians by the Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev in 1954, and the present-day Russians want it

The Crimea issue is all part of the Black Sea Fleet saga, set in Chekhov country but with a script more suited to a modern blockbuster.

This is the story so far: President Leonid Kravchuk of Ukraine wants to seize control of the former Soviet Union's largest warm water fleet, because its headquarters is in Sevastopol. Boris Yeltsin, the Russian president, insists that the fleet is "strategic" and therefore under the control of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). Each leader issues decrees wresting control from the other, followed by an uneasy truce (last week) in which both sides agree to let a commission examine the dispute.

The commission has an unenviable job. For this is not a simple military matter. The rightful ownership of Crimea is one extra ingredient. Add to this the secret plot to sell off unwanted Black Sea naval assets to foreign buyers for desperately needed hard currency. the macho foot-stamping of two presidents who want their own way, the disputed definition of "strategic", and, not least, the future role of the Black Sea Fleet, and you have a military/political mix which could keep the mem-bers of the commission fully occupied for months.

The Black Sea Fleet, founded by the Russian czar Peter the Great, is not the most powerful of the four former Soviet fleets. However, with nearly 400 vessels in its inventory, including modern cruisers, there is a sizeable force at

While none of the submarines is nuclear-powered and none of the warships is a dedicated nuclear weapons carrier, many of the vessels are nuclear-capable: in other words, the cruise missiles and torpedoes which they carry can be nuclear-tipped. Herein lies

promoted by Yeltsin and Marshal Yevgeny Shaposhnikov, the commander of the CIS armed forces. Under a CIS agreement, all strategic forces are supposed to be under its command.

The Black Sea Fleet also uses a number of different ports, not all of them in Ukraine. There are two ports on the Russian coast, a big commercial one at Novorossiysk and another at Tuapse. There are also three in Georgia, at Poti, Batumi and Ochemchiri.

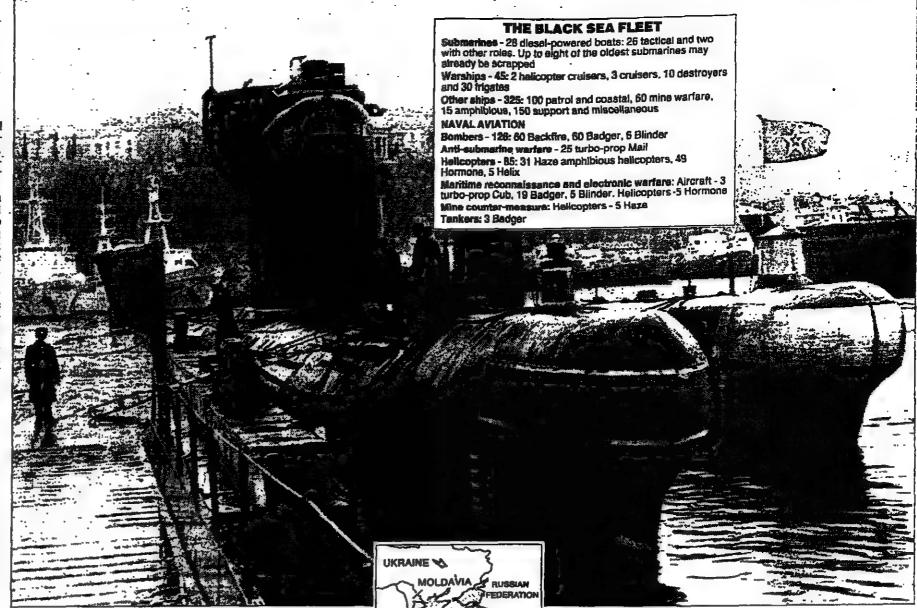
The dispute over control of the Black Sea Fleet, however, has taken on so many different dimensions that the argument over the definition of strategic — which offers at least some room for compromise — has been overwhelmed by the political stand-off between Yeltsin and Kravchuk, and by the manoeuvrings over the future status of the two mighty

Sevastopol, at the heart of the battle, resembles a southern Italian town: faded paintwork on shuttered windows, pleasant squares surrounded by trees and summer breezes wafting in from the Black Sea and across the vineyards outside the city. As a naval base, it is without compare, so you will find few Russian officers eager to swap their comfortable existence for a posting elsewhere. Ukraine is also the richest of the former Soviet republics and supplies are better than in

mall wonder the ethnic Russians serving in the Black Sea Fleet are undecided about the different orders they receive. Kravchuk wants them to sign an oath of allegiance to the blue and yellow Ukrainian flag. But Admiral Igor Kasatonov, the commander of the Black Sea Fleet, whose father also commanded the fleet, has forbidden them to take the Ukrainian A sensational story appeared in

a Russian armed forces newspaper last month under the headline "Mutiny in the Black Sea". It told of 30 Russian sailors who locked themselves in a submarine lavatory and threatened to kill themselves unless two officers were dismissed for trying to force them to sign oaths of allegiance to Ukraine. The officers were duly

The incident underlines the emotional as well as military tugof-war going on behind the scenes.



Strategic questions: ownership of the Black Sea Fleet is as

Crimean peninsula 75 per cent of the 2.4 million population are ethnic Russians. Admiral Kasatonov has said there are 46 different nationalities serving in the Black Sea Fleet, but about three quarters of the officers and half the ilors are Russian.

Most of the fleet's senior commanders will be loyal to Moscow, but many junior officers and seamen seem ready to swear allegiance to Ukraine if only because they suspect the Ukrainian authorities in Kiev will protect their interests better than Moscow. (Ukraine largely decides on the distribution of naval housing.) However, this may be unrealis-tic. Craig Oliphant, of the Soviet

studies centre at Sandhurst military academy, says there is no reason to suppose that Ukraine could afford to pay the salaries of the Black Sea Fleet personnel. Earlier this year, the Ukrainian authorities tried to stop Russian could take over the bills. But it was a short-term gesture. They are still talking about having an army of 420.000 but nobody believes they can afford it.

Money, and the pursuit of it, is one of the more interesting side-lines in the battle of the Black Sea. Indeed, the discovery that CIS defence chiefs were allegedly plan-ning to sell off some of the Black Sea Fleet's assets for hard currency persuaded Kravchuk to adopt an even more vigorous assault against the Moscow military

The alleged asset-stripping plan involved the sale of 49 ships, plus a further 13 at a later date. Fifteen submarines written off in 1991 had also been sold to foreign buyers and a 40-year-old cruiser. Zhdanov, was bought by India for El.2 million. Kravchuk claimed that a joint stock company, owned by the Black Sea Fleet and a Moscow-based front organisation,

submarines and ships for profit before Ukraine took control of the

TURKEY

The original negotiations be-tween Ukraine and Russia over-ownership of the fleet involved a fairty unseemly bargaining session. Ukraine said it wanted 80 per cent of the assets. Marshal Shaposhnikov said Ukraine could have seven per cent, "and that's my last offer". The CIS raised this to 20 per cent but this was still unacceptable to Ukraine. The CIS promptly reduced the offer to 10

Each side knows that Ukraine does not need a large navy. If money, political rivalry and an obsession with status had not

much a matter of dispute as the status of its Crimean base have taken control of a slimmed-

down, effective and "invasion repellent" coastal force, consisting of an appropriate number of destroyers, frigates, coastal combatants, mine-warfare vessels and patrol submarines, leaving the CIS with the cruisers, the remainder of the destroyer/frigate force and the more modern submarines to act as an additional counter to the American Sixth Fleet operating in the Mediterranean.

Potentially the most explosive issue is the rightful ownership of the aircraft carriers constructed at the Ukrainian shipyard at Nikolayev. The Kuznetov, completed at the end of last year, was spirited away to the Northern Fleet's base at Murmansk before Ukraine had a chance to intervene. However, the carrier's sister ship, the Varyag, is currently being fitted out and there is a big question mark over its future. A third carrier, the 75,000-ton Ulyaly finished, is going to be scrapped because of lack of money.

Ukrainian moves to assert control over the whole of the Black Sea Fleet have rekindled Russian claims to the Crimea. The Crimean peninsula, which was annexed from Turkey by the Russian empire, was handed over from Russia to Ukraine in 1954 to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the unification of the two states. Alexander Rutskoi, the Russian vice-president and a staunch patriot, has said that the Russian Congress should look into the legality of Crimea's transfer to

Ukraine. Unless the new commission can find the magic formula for ending the dispute between Ukraine and Russia. Moscow may push its territorial claims on the Crimean peninsula as a means of stopping Kiev from seizing control of the whole fleet. The Russian officers' map in Sevastopol is a warning of

The surgical division of Siamese twins presents the hardest of dilemmas for parents and doctors

Holton died last week after a pioneering operation to give her and her twin sister. Eilish, a chance to live

The operation was the most ambitious performed to separate Siamese twins. A member of the medical team at Great Ormond Street Hospital described it as "probably one of the most ambitious operations ever undertaken". The fact that the price was Catherine's life highlights the

moral and ethical dilemmas which face doctors and parents confronted with Siamese twins.

Eilish and Catherine were

joined from the shoulders to the pelvis. They had separate heads, hearts, lungs and spinal columns, but shared two arms, two legs, a large bowel and a bladder. Blonde-haired, blue-eyed and "very chatty", they were believed by doctors to have an equal chance

Catherine's death from heart failure four days after the 15-hour operation was unexpected. The view of Lewis Spitz, the hospital's Nuffield professor of paediatric surgery who headed the surgical team of 25 specialists and specialist nurses, is that Catherine needed Eilish's support to survive. "We can't be 100 per cent sure, but there were no complications from the surgery that we could find," Professor Spitz says.

"We suspect that the one who survived was doing a greater proportion of the work and when separated the one who died couldn't cope on her own. It would seem as though she had pump failure of the heart. So the heart just couldn't manage on its own. And there's no way we could have predicted that beforehand."

Siamese - known medically as conjoined - twins are a rare type of identical twins who occur when there is a late and incomplete split of the fertilised egg. It happens in one in 50,000 to 100,000 births one in 500 to 1,000 twin births and in most cases they die at birth. They frequently suffer from major heart malformations, which may also result in death.

Sometimes one of the twins is sacrificed at birth for the sake of the other. In the past, many died simply because, without prenatal diagnosis, it was impossible to deliver them without damaging them. About 40 per cent are stillbirths and another 30 per cent die within a day or two from major

Double jeopardy in the cause of separate lives



Stepping out: Violet and Daisy Hinton, Siamese twins photographed in New York in 1934

congenital abnormalities.

Professor Spitz has been involved with five previous sets of Siamese twins. Two had conjoined hearts and died shortly after birth. and two were successfully separated and are leading normal lives. The fifth set, Holly and Carly Rich, were separated when they were two days old. Carly died from congenital heart problem, but Holly is seven and living in Texas.

Ever since medical science made the separation of conjoined twins a possibility, there have been concerns about the ethics involved. The fact that Siamese twins have. in the past, been used as exhibits in funfairs and peep shows has fuelled fears of exploitation.

An extreme example was the 19th century French doctor, Doyen, who agreed to carry out the separation of Indian twins Radica

and Doddica Orissa in the Cirque de Paris as the drum-rolling climax to a charity circus show gala evening aimed at raising funds for the separated twins. The girls died as the cameras flashed and Dr Doyen prepared to make

his first incision. Professor Spitz has no doubts that operating on the Holton twins was the right decision. "It needed to be done in order to give them a chance to have a normal existence. To live together joined, in the 20th century. I don't think is really ideal. They'd be curiosities.

"We did it knowing that there were going to be risks but hoping to get two survivors. We wouldn't have started if we'd known we were going to sacrifice one. The parents wouldn't have allowed us to start anyway. There was never any question of who would be

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sacrificed in favour of the other

He estimated the chances of success as "33 per cent that we'd lose one. 33 per cent that both would survive and 33 per cent that both would succumb.

"I think the crucial thing was very, very careful planning, very accurate pre-operative investigations to know exactly what was shared between them and exactly what the plan of the operation was going to be. And this was all done very carefully over two and a half months so that when we came to doing the operation we knew what we were going to encounter."

Normally, separation is attempted between the ages of four months and 12 months "because some need lots of preparation before you can do it. Professor Spitz was first asked for an opinion

Their parents, Mary and Liam Holton, from County Kildare, understandably took a year to

When you live with the twins you appreciate how utterly unique they are and, in a sense, you feel honoured to be their parents," Mrs Holton told a reporter when her daughters where one year old.
"We feel we were blessed in some

Professor Spitz agrees that there is an ethical dilemma when it comes to attempting to separate Siamese twins, "but I think that if there is a chance that they can be separated then that chance should be taken. You have to tell the parents, 'We will do our utmost to have both surviving, but the risks are 30 per cent - or whatever it

The twin specialist Dr Elizabeth Bryan has no doubts about the justification for anempting to sep-arate Siamese twins. "You could argue that one of the big ethical things is the attitude of society to conjoined twins. If society were more acceptive of disability and so-called freaks, then it might be much easier for them to live in it."

A paediatrician and founder of the Multiple Births Foundation, Dr Bryan says that separation has been attempted "on many occasions knowing that one child would be lost. Sometimes, if there is only one heart, you know that you can produce only one child. Mary Lowe, chairman of the Twins and Multiple Births Association (TAMBA) and the mother of identical twin daughters, says:
From a parent's point of view I
would prefer them to be separated if it is at all possible, even at the

risk of one not surviving.
The original "Siamese" twins, Chang and Eng, who were born in 1811, married English sisters and had 22 children between them. Their wives lived in separate houses and the twins spent alternate weeks with each of them. As is often the case with Siamese twins, their personalities were entirely different. While Chang loved to drink, Eng abhorred drunkenness. On one occasion. Chang. who became violent when drunk, escaped prison only because a judge felt it would be unfair to imprison Eng as well .

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Sheriffs honour 1,000 years

Men of law and order have replaced the evil adversary Robin Hood knew

he age has long gone since they read the Riot Act, sent out posses and presided over public hangings — and Robin Hood's fabled adversary from Nottingham is probably the only one to have staked a claim to dubious historical immortality.

But the high sheriffs of England and Wales have at least retained sufficient power to survive uninterrupted from the reign of Alfred the Great to the present day, and on May I holders of the office from all 54 counties gather in York Minster to celebrate the start of their millen-

nium year.
"They have probably existed for longer than 1,000 years." Richard Bullock, secretary of Shrievalty Association, says, "but we fixed on 1992 because the fear was that different high sheriffs would pick on their own year of office for the millennium, and the celebra-

tions would pop up in dribs and drabs." The sheriffs now look forward to a year in which the York Minster service, attended by the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Chief Justice and the Duke of York, will be followed by a Guildhall banquer, the planting of 1,000 oak trees in Windsor Great Park and a November ceremony at Winchester. England's capital when they started out in business.

As the Merry Men were reputed to have marauded in Sherwood Forest in the reign of Richard I (1189-99), and the city of Nottingham did not get a sheriff of its own until 1449, the only certainty behind the legend is that Robin Hood's evil adversary would have been High Sheriff of the county of Nottinghamshire. Almost eight centuries later, his office has passed on to Ian Phillipps, aged 67, a former chairman of Raleigh Industries and treasurer of the Quorn hunt since 1978.

"Back in Saxon times, the high sheriff was the most important and powerful figure in his region," Mr Phillipps says, a touch ruefully, "He represented the crown in his bailiwick and was responsible for all royal property, law and order, the collecting of royal rents and raising an army.
"He would raise 'the hue and

cry', officially the 'posse comitatus' or full power of the county, to pursue outlaws, act as judge, alongside the bishop, and was responsible for seeing that sen-

tences were carried out — thus spend-ing a lot of time hang-ing people.

Then Henry I. introduced travelling judges to try important cases, Henry II appointed JPs to hear minor ones, the Tudors introduced lords licutenant to look after army-raising and, in the last century, the commissioners of police and income tax took over policing

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The law: Ian Phillipps and revenue-collect + ing." Despite the erosion of their duties, the office is still regarded as a great honour. Candidates must be independently recommended

to the Queen. Many high sheriffs still take their law and order roles seriously. Mr Phillipps, for instance, has dedicated his year in office to tackling the growth in crime committed by young people. If sheriffs still have a role to play, why then do they only have a single year in which to play it? "Kings such as Richard the Lionhean were more interested in the Crusades and gave their sheriffs & lone hand to get on with collecting

receipts," Mr Phillipps says. This led to corruption, and it was thus decreed that sheriffs. should be changed annually - so that no one got too good at it

before they were replaced." WILLIAM GREAVES

How I spent my life

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Why bother keeping a family diary when

the story?

moments are immortalised during March. And by midbirthdays and anniversaries, dutifully filled in when you made the new year's resolution to keep it up.

effects, hailed as a latter-day lic acclaim. Sadly, like every-one else, I only ever make it to

Curiously, the urge for ceration at boarding school.

the carrier bag full of cheque stubs to a publisher, not get a Pepys out of them'

writ smail.

Before having children, the cheque stubs reveal a life of abundance and self-gratification: "deposit for Spanish villa with friends"; "two pairs of platform shoes"; regular hairdressers' appointments; membership of a lunch club; exorbitant bills for forgotten

machine; new parts for wash-

As the children grow and the volumes of stubs swell, new chapters of family life

rated pages: wellingtons and dals, swimsuits and arm bands. Birthday party for 12' at leisure pool and more computer games, larger size leotard for ballet, and yet larger sized Reeboks, document the children's growing needs and ever more expensive lifestyle.

I have the diary I have always wanted, but whether the world wants to share it. I have my doubts. I cannot envisage anyone queueing up for the paperback rights to an Adrian Mole update, Diary of a Mother, aged 42 and three quarters. If 1 sent the carrier bag full of curling cheque stubs to a publisher. I fear I would not get a Pepvs out of them. Anyhow the journal continues, as does the

And so to bank. Davina Lloyd The author is the editor of Parenting Plus Magazine

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cheque stubs tell

anuary and February must be the best documented months. thanks to the diary. Fewer April, I reckon, most diaries stretch forward in virgin blankness, apart from the

Like many others. I have always wanted to have a year of my life penned for posterity, to be unearthed among my Pepys, and published to pub-

autobiography is strongest when there is least happening in one's life. Defoe's Journal of the Plague Year is neces-sarily a work of fiction. Which person, fully occupied with boiling coinage, bringing out their dead and inspecting their armpits for tell-tale lumps would have had the time to jot down the minutiae of family life? The nearest I got to completing the unex-purgated events of my life was during half a decade of incar-

The life of a parent, however, can be chronicled in less obvious ways than the timehonoured Dear Diary method. Sorting through my domestic paperwork the other day, I discovered that I do

attention with bruised knees or bored children, hard decisions 'If I sent I fear I would

have a detailed record of my family life. An uninterrupted record over the last quarter of a century, written in tiny, confidential volumes — the stubs of my cheque book. Revealed on the small pink pages is a full history of how I have spent my money and my life. The great changes that parenthood brings are all there, writ large, or rather,

evenings in wine bars.

Then the children arrived, and the stubs began to tell another tale: "dropside cot"; "swivel wheel lie-back bug-gy"; "gross of first-size napnies"; vests; Babygros; cartloads of bonled baby dinners. Few of the cheques were expended on personal items. 'Osteopath's fees" (back injury sustained humping round buggy, baby and accountements); repair of washing ing machine; new washing

unfold. "Shoes for son, bootees for daughter, capitation for Cubs, trampoline lessons, dental work. Nintendo games, school trip to Science Museum.

I can follow the changing seasons through these perfoduffle coats give way to san-

Like father, like son: Jonathan Wallace and four-year-old Alexander. "It's still mildly eccentric for a man to be looking after a toddler and running a business — you can get away with it."

onathan Wallace, the director of a property manage-ment company who has Work is child's play worked from home since his two children were babies, will never forget holding a struggling toddler in one arm, answering the phone with the other and simultaneously dealing with a new client on the mother's help, playgroup and Working from your home has drawbacks other side of his office desk: "I kept grandparents.)

Outsiders sometimes have difficulty in understanding the rules of in-house working. Mr Wallace recalls an unscheduled visit from the health visitor which coincided with a deadline: "I assumed she wanted to see Alexander, who was at his grandparents' — that made me feel like a bad father who'd shunted his kids out so he could work. It was only after I'd ushered

her into the sitting room and away from my office (which is built on to the house) that I discovered she must be made which would not apply to parents in a nine to five job. really wanted me to handle some business of hers. And all the time, I The speciacle of a man juggling children and typewriters goes down slightly better with employers than might a woman in the same position. "It's still mildly eccentric could hear the office phones ringing while my deadline was ticking Neighbours are similarly oblivious to tight work schedules. "They don't always realise that each day

for a man to be looking after a toddler and running a business: you can get away with it because society thinks it's unusual," says Mr Wallace, whose daughter Eleanous 12 ward to class in her must be a working day. If they pop in to use the photocopier, they stand and natter after paying. I put on a glazed look but it doesn't always work." Housework is another intrusion, and Mr Walnor, now 12, used to sleep in her cradie on his desk. (Her four-yearold brother Alexander divides his lace has to stop himself from time between the office, a part-time

and also rewards. Jane Bidder reports

ing in from the rain.
When it comes to any conflict between career and children, Mr Wallace likes to think the children come first. He has never had to abandon a telephone call midstream to save a child (his office furniture has child-proof rounded edges), although he has rung back customers when porty-training Al-exander. His golden rule is never to apologise for audible domestic mayhem, but simply to say he will have to call back.

oundaries between public and private life are flexi-ble for the Wallaces (Jenny Wallace is a public relations consultant): "I stop work at teatime when Eleanor comes home, and from then onwards the office door linking to the home remains open," Mr Wallace says. "If neither my wife nor I are on the phone, Eleanor and Alexander often amble in." However, the

answering machine is no longer plugged in after tea ("the recession means everyone has to be more

Burning the midnight oil also oes with the job. "We often work after Alexander has gone to bed, which Eleanor doesn't like much. Yes. I do feel bad about that, just as I do if we have to cancel a family outing because of work pressure. On the other hand, there are week days when we can all go out while other parents are stuck in their

Teaching the children to handle clients tactfully is important. "Cute" toddlers who answer the phone are a killer for professional credibility. (The Wallaces have a separate business line so offspring do not intrude.) Even older children can let you down, according to Mary Nickolls, from Aylesbury, in Buckinghamshire, who runs a desktop publishing service from

eldest daughter Jo (then 16) didn't realise there was a client in the house when I politely called out for a cup of coffee, she retorted, 'Make it yourself!'." Nevertheless, Mrs Nickolls suf-

fers from every home-worker's fear that an employer might question her professionalism if there are children in earshot, cooking smells ("especially kippers") if a contact calls in, or Neighbours in the background during phone calls Malcolm Nickolls, an architect who works locally, occasionally

feels frustrated when he and his wife need the laser printer or computer at the same time. Mr Nickolis views his wife's work seriously - unlike certain friends or neighbours who take the "You're working from home so you're not really working" tack.
"They're a bit confused when I

stagger out of the car laden with work one day, or Tesco shopping bags the next." Mrs Nickolis says. Adapting to small children's needs can provide unlikely inspira-

tion, as painter Charles MacCarthy, of Herefordshire, has

worked from home since his children Beatrice, aged seven, and Daniel, aged five, were small, while his wife Catherine has an outside job with the National Trust. "I used to be more of a landscape painter, but being at home has encouraged me to paint the domestic interior. I've also used the routine to paint the children, and I've switched to waterpaints because it's more rapid "

orking flat out is crucial for any homeworker, and Mr Mac-Carthy is now proud of leaving breakfast dishes unwashed until he has stopped work at 3. I4pm (one minute before pickup time from school next door). "It

shows I work hard."

Mr MacCarthy does feel "pangs of resentment" on the one day a week that his wife works from home. "I have to put down my tools to pick up the children rather than Catherine, because hers is a salaried job. When the children were younger, we did consider getting an au pair so I could work more, but I'm glad I stuck it out. It demonstrates a kind of equality. I'd like to think the children see this, too: they certainly respect my work and were trained, even when very little, never to wander into my studio or dabble with paints with-

Picking a top read

Children can miss out on good stories if parents stick to classics — and awards highlight fresh talent

ales of children's books reached £150 million in 1990 and 5,000 new appear each year. Children borrowed 93 mil-lion books from libraries last year, compared to 75 million a decade ago. So why do so many parents choosing a book for a child plump for something first read by

a strange sort of smile on my face as though to say, 'It's no problem — I can do it all'. But inside I was

Such scenes strike chords with

many a parent working from

home. Most home-workers remain

on the domestic front because they

want to be close to their offspring.

but when work deadlines vie for

gaslight in an Edwardian nursery? Classics should be rediscovered by every generation but parents who see no further than Pooh or Peter Pan are doing their children a disservice, according to Christina Sharman of the Youth Libraries Group. She thinks parents are daunted by the choice. "It is like going into a sweet shop and seeing this amazing array and think-

ing, 'Where do I start?'
"Parents then stick to old familiar things that may not have stood the Miss Sharman is the

coordinator of the Li-

brary Association's Carnegie and Greenaway medals. Last week she and a panel of ten other children's librarians produced the shortlist from which the winners will be chosen in June. As I watched the judges distil 53 nominations down to seven writers and seven illustrators, they gave some neat pointers for

parènts. Candidates for the Carnegie medal for an "outstanding" work are judged on characterisation, style and plot. "All the books that have got this far are good," says Grace Kempster, the panel's chairwoman. "The book has to be more than just a good,

pleasurable read. It must satisfy the imagination at some deeper level.

The panel starts by briefly discussing each book nominated by children's libraries or individual members of the Library Association and putting them into the Yes, No or Maybe pile. Criticisms



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are succinct, from "grip-ping", "stylish" and "stun-ning" to "poorly characterised", "stereotyped" and "patronising".

One book goes straight to the rejects pile after the com-ment: This is one for the reviewers; no child would ever read it.

Mrs Kempster adds: "You can get books which academics or reviewers rave about but which children just do not like. Even parents can find it hard to evaluate what a child

their eyes. That is often why things such as Winnie the Pooh have been so successful for so long. They work on

Some of the books arousing strongest support also arouse the strongest antipathy. The Real Tilly Beany, for in-

stance, provokes fierce debate. "Full of life," says one judge; "dreadful character, unbearably precocious", claims

Yardey's Cat splits the panel into those who can believe the inhabitants of north Norfolk capable of monstrous evil and those who cannot During the afternoon

session to decide the Greenaway award for tion, the biggest division centres on Jane Ray's drawings for The Story of Christmas: half the panel thought they were too sumptuous, others argued that they continue a tradition that can be traced back to the Middle

Ages.
The awards shortlist can be a useful guide to the best contemporary writing. But Miss Sharman says: "There aren't really any short cuts. Parents should be prepared to read themselves from a wide selec-

"The best approach is a triangle involving parent, child and librarian because you need to know a bit about the child, what his or her interests are and what they have enjoyed before so you can match the right book to the right child."

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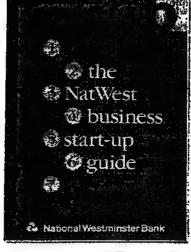
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Annie Dalton: The Real Tilly Beany (Methuen 17.99), age range 6-8 for reading aloud, 8-10 for own reading. Berlie Doherty: Dear Nobody (Hamish Hamilton £8.99), 13 plus; Victor Kelleher: Del-Del, (Julia MacRae £8.99), 13 plus; Garry Kilworth: The Drowners (Methuen £8.99), 11 plus; Leon Rosselson: Rosa's Singing Grandfather (Viking 44.50), 7-9; Robert Westall: Yaxley's Cat (Macmillan E8.50), 10 plus: Jacqueline Wilson: The Story of Tracey Beaker

Janet and Allan Ahlberg: The Jolly Christmas Postman (Heinemann 19.99), age 4 plus: Jeannie Baker: Window (Julia MacRae 18.99), 9 plus: Caroline Binch: Amazing Grace (Frances Lincoln E7.95), 4 plus; Fiona French: Anancy and Mr Dry-Bone (Frances Lincoln £7.95), 6 plus; P.J. Lynch: East o' the Sun and West o' the Moon (Walker Books 59.99). 10 plus: Helen Oxenbury: Farmer Duck (Walker Books £8.99). 2 plus: Jane Ray: The Story of Christmas (Orchard Books £8.99), 4 plus.

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19 had their tubes successfully

unblocked, and 60 per cent

became pregnant within a

Masham, North Yorkshire, a

company specialising in agri-

cultural equipment, has pat-

ented a device for stopping

pregnant ewes rolling over on

their backs. Every year thou-

sands of ewes die when they

roll over and their heavy fleece

prevents them righting them-

selves. The anti-roll harness

consists of two large cups

attached to a belt and fitted

Rolling sheep

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Dream horrors

IF Graeme Souness, the Liverpool manager, is suffering nightmares after his triplebypass heart operation, he is in good company. A study in Australia has shown that nightmares are much commonet in patients recovering from heart surgery than in other types of operation. Dr Joe Brimacombe, registrar of Royal Perth Hospital, has reported that 28 per cent of heart patients suffered nightmares, and only 13 per cent of other surgical patients did. Powerful drugs or simply personality types might be the cause, he speculated.

Tubes unblocked

WOMEN with blocked fallopian tubes can be enabled to become pregnant by a simple procedure which avoids costly surgery or in vitro fertilisation. according to Dr Amy Thur-mond of Oregon Health Sciences Centre. The process, called salpingography, involves introducing a special

around the ewe's body. War on parasite

Within the next few years the parasitic disease dracunculiasis, or guinea-worm disease, should be eradicated, the World Health Organisation in Geneva believes. Today some three million people a year contract the disease, against up to 10 million in the 1980s.

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Dinosaurs live — in SW7

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previews a new exhibition on every

child's favourite ancient creature

or a species extinct for 65 million years, the dinosaur has an ability any press-agent would envy for keeping itself in the headlines. Over the past decade, there has been something of a revolution in the knowledge of dinosaurs.

We now know that some dinosaurs, far from being cold-blooded half-wits chamsily plodding their way towards extinction, were as swift as racehorses, that others nurtured and raised their young as model parents and that none, probably, were coldblooded at all.

True, they produced no Einstein, but they survived for 140 million years as the most successful vertebrates that ever lived. From tomorrow, the Natural History Museum opens a new gallery that does justice to the new knowledge, as well as containing a chillingly realistic tableau of robotic dinosaurs grunting and slurping as they dismember a larger member of their species, still twitching in its death throes.

The new gallery is very different from the last attempt the museum made to explain the dinosaur, in 1979. That display was criticised as over-academic and based on questionable science. There was a controversy in the pages of Nature over the concepts of cladistics, the science of classifying living things into groups, which infected the display.

The new gallery is more David Attenborough than Carolus Linnaeus. It shows the dinosaurs as living, breathing creatures of enormous variety and inexhaustible fascination. Stephen Jay Gould has offered a succinct explanation for the appeal of the dinosaur to succeeding generations: "big, fierce and extinct". The museum plays on all these themes.

Dr Angela Milner, the museum expert who provided the scientific advice for the new display, says she believes that it offers the best of all worlds, showing the traditional re-constructed skeletons of the monsters and at the same time reminding people that they were once living animals of flesh and blood.

"You would be be amazed at public misconceptions" she says. "People have seen the skeletons so often they think the dinosaurs walked around



How dinosaurs defended themselves: a painting by John Sibbick shows herds of Centrosaurus forming a defensive circle when attacked

like that. They also think that all extinct creatures are dinosauts, which is far from being true."
The exhibition has been designed

by Imagination Design and Communication, who have created a raised steel walkway running through Waterhouse's terra-cotta gallery. From the walkway the visitor passes a series of dinosaur reconstructions, including the finest discovery in Britain this century. Baryonyx walkeri, found in a

Dorking clay pit in 1983. Affec tionately known as "Claws", this creature lived in low-lying flood plains and used its huge claws for fishing and scavenging.

Dinosaurs have been found erywhere in the world. Dr

Milner explains, even in Antarctica, but the best places for discovering their remains are the badlands of Montana and the windswept reaches of the Gobi Desert, where the fossils are more likely to be exposed. Beneath our feet in the English clay there lie thousands more concented.

Among the nastiest dinosaur on show is , a creature no taller than a man but capable of a good turn of speed. The *Dromaeosauri* ran in packs, using large switchblade claws on their hind feet to slash at slowermoving herbivorous dinosaurs and drag them down.

At the end of the walkway can be heard the awful grunts of Deinonychus, another lightly-built dinosaur armed with a terrible claw. A robotic and appallingly lifelike group of three of these creatures is

Three effects might have conspired together to bring the creatures' long reign to an end

tearing the flesh from a much bigger Tenontosaurus, which lies on the ground twitching.

"The grunts were based on the kind of sounds modern-day reptiles make, pitched correctly for the size of the animal." Dr Milner says. The result is certainly an arresting sight, with the computer-controlled models programmed to give a considerable variation of movement.Back at

ground level there are a series of displays covering the way the dino-saurs lived and died. Here the visitor can feel the edge on Tyrannoszurus' tooth, and listen to the horn-like sound made by the Parasauropholus blowing air through channels in its crested skull as a warning or a herding signal.

Recent discoveries of how dinosaurs nested provide the basis for another section, while the eternal argument about what finished them off is explored, again using the most up-to-date information. At least 100 explanations, many

wild and whacky, have been provided to explain the dinosaurs' unhappy demise. The gallery illustrates a few of these with cartoons by Bill Tidy. Did the dinosaurs die of boredom, stumble to their doom when they went blind, suffer from fatal skin complaints, or even join in a

lemming-like mass suicide? Dinosaur extinction has long provided an avenue for unconstrained speculation. Dr Milner refuses to commit herself to a single theory. believing that three different effects might all have conspired together to bring the dinosaurs' long reign to an end. The first, she says, is climatic

change brought about by the breakup of the ancient continents and the creation of new ocean currents. The whole climate became much wetter and the vegetation changed, leaving the dinosaurs unable to adjust.

Once the herbivorous dinosaurs began to die off, the flesh-eaters were also doomed by the lack of anything nourishing on legs.

The second, and now most fashionable thesis, is that the earth was struck by a meteorite that landed onthe Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico. This had catastrophic effects on the climate, blanketing the Sun with thick clouds of dust and debris. The third is that huge volcanic eruptions. like Mount Pinatubo but hundreds of times greater and more prolonged. had similar and equally disastrous. climatic effects.

All these theories are explored in the exhibition, and Dr Milner suspects that each may have played its part in the decline and fall of the dinosaurs. She says: "There is good. hard evidence for all of them."

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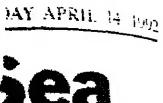
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Now that the dust is settling on all the controversy over the 'media election', the BBC and ITN assess their performances



Another sound-bite opportunity: Neil Kinnock on the British Forces Broadcasting Service after appearing earlier on Walden



Final preparations: John Major about to appear on Granada's Election 500 with Sue Lawley

ITN: 'STRAIGHT BAT'

THE BBC: 'ACCURATE AND CONCISE'

Viewers 'not bored' We are trusted

election campaigns. Viewers and listeners apparently become bored: broadcasters become easy targets for manipulation; we are biased; we don't cover issues; we concentrate on the leaders; we're seduced by photo-opportunities; and we the broadcasters are accountable to nobody, out of touch with our audience. Fiction and fact need untangling, and

that requires careful research. This election we have applied a lesson from the coverage of the Gulf War. In that campaign, we helped a university to examine the broadcasters' coverage of the event, including our own, warts and all. They provided an objective critique of news on television, and we valued it. We wanted to listen to our audience and learn from them

The BBC has commissioned independent research from both Leeds University and Audience Selection Limited to help us judge whether the licence-payers, to whom we are responsible, feel our coverage has achieved the values they expect of us. They have looked at the content and the audience's response to it. We have their preliminary findings, covering all but the final few days of the campaign, and this has helped form our own assessment.

The first conclusion — from the work done by Audience Selection - is that most viewers feel that the broadcasters should analyse and explain news stories during an election campaign, and not just report events. More than half the people questioned thought this important. It is welcome confirmation of all the work we have put into explaining the issues in a clear and impartial way across a wide range of programmes on television and radio. The election briefs on the Nine O'Clock News were a prime example of this

Audience Selection also looked at the perceptions of the main television news bulletins at nine

ITV. The Nine O'Clock News beats ITN by more than two to one for being more accurate, profes-sional and concise. It is also regarded as being clearer, more up-to-the-minute and balanced.

This positive image of the BBC news was not only held by people who think that the Nine O'Clock News is best overall; a substantial number of those who think News at Ten is better endorse the BBC news for its accuracy, professionalism and conciseness

When asked which of the programmes provide the best cover-age, the BBC wins by two to one. To my mind this demonstrates we have been providing the service most viewers appreciate, and in the end it is to them we are accountable.

One of the real myths of an election campaign is that although viewers and listeners may appreciate what the broadcasters do, they are really rather bored by it all. The research is much less supportive of this conclusion than chance conversations in pubs and offices might suggest. By the third week of the campaign, for exam-ple, 56 per cent of viewers felt there was too much coverage on the BBC, which is about nine points less than at the same time during the 1987 campaign.

The audience figures for the main television programmes have hardly moved during the cam-paign — still well ahead of ITN at one o'clock and six, and level pegging at nine, according to the figures available so far. And the first signs are that the audiences for radio news and current affairs programmes have increased.

Maybe what many viewers and listeners say and what they actually do are different things. A prime tenet of our journalism

is that we should be fair to all parties and arguments, for the good of all. How did our audience think we had behaved? Nearly 70 per cent thought we had been fair on television, with 13 per cent saying they did not know. The

Campaign Report on Radio 4 been unfair, were evenly split Long Wave spent so much time bringing in news items from across the United Kingdom, probetween supporters of each party. BBC Radio 4 was also trusted by its listeners: 80 per cent believed its coverage had been fair, with viding a multiplicity of voice and view on a broad range of issues, only 6 per cent thinking it unfair.

Another test of our beliefs in from transport and sport to the

evenhandedness came from the

independent work done by Leeds

University. They examined what

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the politicians were doing when

they appeared on screen: were they

attacking the other party or defending their position? On the Nine O'Clock News, the Conserva-

tives spent 43 per cent of their

appearances attacking Labour,

and 26 per cent of their time

defending themselves. Labour

spent 42 per cent of their appear-

ances attacking the Tories, and 24

per cent of their time on screen

defending themselves. Broadly

speaking, the rest of the time for

each party was spent stating their

The researchers also looked at

the running order for the Nine

O'Clock News, seeing which party

had appeared first. The scales

tipped slightly in favour of the

gramme ten times compared to

Labour's seven in the most up-to-

decided to ensure that the broad-

est possible range of issues were brought before the licence-payers.

We would not concentrate only on

those matters that tend to domi-

nate the news agenda, but also on

those that the party might seek to

avoid. That was why, for example,

Before the campaign began, we

date figures we have.

Conservatives, who led the pro-

elderly and the unemployed. Other programmes, such as The World Ar One, or Newsnight, found innovatory ways of fulfilling the same aim. We've reported on such subjects as the battle for the C2 voters, the politicians in each party who expressed divergent views, the state of the trade unions, the aspirations of the ethnic minorities and so on.

According to the research, this distinctive characteristic of the BBC's approach to the election campaign has been appreciated.

Have we been seduced by photoopportunites? We have no independent work on this, and it would repay analysis. My own view is that there is a real paradox here.

This election has been remarkable for the way in which the changes in tactics of the parties have been reported upon and debated often before those changes occurred. It is surprising. then, that the walkabouts have been so enduring a method of campaigning, given that the hud-dles of cameramen and journalists appear to cocoon a party leader from contact with the life of the shopping mall. Yet it was also one of these sessions that prompted John Major to use the most successful symbol of the campaign, his soapbox. It appeared as genuine, hard engagement with the voters, the antithesis of the photo-opportunity.

There is still much work to do to separate myth from fact during the election campaign. But one point is clear. Our viewers and listeners expect us to broadcast fair, accurate and wide-ranging programmes of news and analysis during a campaign. That is why they trust us. We strive to earn that

Tony Hall is director of BBC News and Current Affairs.

campaign, the British public had a real choice: ITN or the BBC. True there was a third party. Sky News, which fought a creditable campaign but failed to make the breakthrough

The real battle was between the two big guns, a battle for which ITN and BBC television news devised different

The most obvious differences was the durations of News at Ten and the Nine O'Clock News. We kept our flagship to more or less its usual length. The BBC extended theirs to about 50 minutes and by the second week of the campaign the viewing public had made the choice. News at Ten moved into the lead in the ratings.

The BBC and ITN have a healthy competitive relationship. We keep each other on our toes. I find much to admire in their work, but I believe the length and content of the Nine O'Clock News and Campaign Report dulled the sharp cutting edge that is the lifeblood of hard news programming. Mixing news with current affairs can be a dodgy business. There are many other programmes in which to delve deeply into analysis and psephology. At their best, news programmes should weave threads of explanation and assessment into the fabric of fair-minded

reporting.
At ITN, we pride ourselves on the sharpness of our news judgments and the speed with which we act on them. Most of all, we take pride in our people and their ability to make sound decisions. So we do not burden them with too many rules.

Of course, like the BBC, we produced for our staff de-tailed election guidelines, in-

cluding a warning that as a general principle programmes should not lead on a single poll. We added: "This is not a rigid unbreakable rule but we would have to be satisfied that the news element was very strong before seeing a poll as a lead story."

The BBC guidelines include a similar warning. A moment of truth arrived on the second Tuesday of the campaign when not one poll but three (including ITN's own) suggested Labour had.

> significant lead. At ITN headquarters and BBC Television Centre, swift decisions were being taken about the story's news value. They turned out to be very different decisions. We led with the story. The BBC did not and their decision is entirely a matter for them. At ITN, our built-in flexibility on the matter of polls led to debate within the news room, which in turn led us to the real story behind the pollsters'

for the first time, opened a

findings.
So that night on News at Ten we did not simply lead on opinion polls - interesting though they were. We were able to reveal a sea change in Tory tactics.

Tomorrow." Michael Brunson, our political editor, told viewers,"you will see the Conservatives turn their guns against the Liberal Demo-crats." That was the real story: a pivotal moment and I believe, the right lead.

So was our decision to cling to news values made at the cost of under-reporting the issues? Not a bit of it. Taxation, the wider economy, health, education, propor tional representation, the issue of peace on the streets in Northern Ireland and particularly Scouland's future had full and thorough airings on our programmes because

Our lunchtime news even had a phone-in, enabling viewers to put the issues they cared about directly to the politicians. Yet we certainly did not see it as our job to be electronic manifestos for the panies. Yes, some issues struggled to make it. Why? Because the politicians failed to say anything remotely new about them.

It is worth underlining that ITN's news programmes on ITV were by no means the totality of ITV's election coverage. Acres of networked current affairs space, notably Walden and the Granada 500, were turned over, rightly, to detailed examination of the issues. Acres more on ITV's regional programming homed in on policies affect-ing people within their transmission areas. Channel 4 News (produced by ITN) was brilliantly innovative and the Midnight Special on Channel 4 (again produced by ITN) was perhaps the nearest television has ever got to the rough and tumble of the hustings.

Our job in the important but comparitively narrow area of networked, mainstream news programming was to keep a tight hold on news values, to see off the spin doctors, to be fair and balanced but critical, quizzical and robust when necessary. Did we get complaints

from the parties? Yes a few some reasonable, some not. We graciously acknowledged the former and summarily dispatched the latter. Were their attempts to manipulate us? Yes, though most of them were lacking in subtlety there was little sport to be had in trying to spot them

David Mannion is editor of ITV programmes at ITN

If Kinnock wins today

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The Sun: 'don't trust Kinnock

Sun is read in nearly one in two

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narrow majorities by the Torics.

According to Mori, there was a 4

per cent swing to the Tories

among Sun readers in the last four

days of the campaign. Assuming

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what they read in their paper, the

Sun effect alone was either suffi-

cient to win the seat or to make a

The Tory majority in Hayes, for

instance, was 53. If Mori is

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AUDIENCE RESEARCH

Switched off

ndustry viewing figures, avail-able for the first two weeks of the campaign, only partially confirm the theory that people reach for the remote control at the sight of politicians on the box.

As table 1 shows, evasive action consisted of turning off rather than over. On average we watched significantly less television in the first two weeks of the campaign compared to the two equivalent weeks of the previous month: down by one hour 13 minutes in week one and an even more substantial one hour 29 minutes in week two. Like all ratings figures, these should be treated carefully.

Table 2 gives the average weekly ratings for BBC and ITN evening bulletins. Again comparing fig-ures with the equivalent weeks in February, there was a substantial decline which affected the late rather than early news bulletins.

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Even these steep declines need to be seen in the context of individual programmes. Thus, part of the BBC's decline in the second campaign week is explained by *Porridge* (rating 8 million) following the news on the Thursday, compared to Casualty (rating 15.8 million) the month before. The respective news ratings were 7.1 million and 8.9

However, an examination of viewing figures by every quarter hour period suggests that some extended bulletins attracted more viewers towards the end (table 3). It seems that viewers may have been dipping into and out of the extended bulletins when the rest of the schedule allowed, and the BBC could argue that the reach of their coverage increased during the

STEVEN BARNETT

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BBC late

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WHO WATCHED WHAT AND WHEN

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ITN late

% hour ratings for BBC extended bulletins

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Labouring on: one of the posters for the party that dared not mention socialism

MARKETING

Branded for defeat

parties have double brand names is a quirk of history. In the right corner we have the Tory/Conservatives: in the left the Labour/Socialists; and betwixt as ever are the Liberal Democrats. Nobody denies that brand names are among the most effect-

ive weapons in modern marketing warfare. And in the biner battle of the ballot box, there could be little doubt that the right has the better brand names. On the left, neither name is exactly a humdinger. The appall-ing regimes that once wielded

power on the other side of the Wall have sullied the word socialist. perhaps irredeemably: as a brand name, socialism is probably beyond salvation. But Labour is little better. -As

long ago as 1960, psephologists Richard Rose and Mark Abrams published Must Labour Lose, in which they prophesied that better educated, more affluent and increasingly middle-class voters would not relish being described as "labourers".

Long before the word yuppie existed. Rose and Abrams foresaw a country full of upwardly mobile managers, who might well boast

of how hard they toiled but would not dream of calling themselves labourers. Labour is a state in which

women find themselves while giving birth; it most certainly is not what BMW drivers do in their executive suites. Nor is Liberal Democrat a

brand name to conjure with. Democrat is fine, with its modish American overtones, but Liberal is still encumbered with the imagery of sandals, earth mothers, morris dancing , unkempt beards (rather than designer stubble), and shambolic if kindly folk who could not run the proverbial booze up in the proverbial brewery.

In contrast, both Tory and Conservative are rather good brand names. Nobody quite knows what the word Tory means but it sounds posh, like Benson & Hedges, or Bendick's Mints.

Conservative no longer has much to do with conserving things; but in so far as it does. conservation and recycling are now utterly trendy.

Just as we all have a mental picture of the Marlboro man and the Sainsbury shopper, so we all have a vision of the typical Tory, Labour or Liberal supporter. Durparties tried to woo extra votes Ashdown's Lib Dems wanted to be seen as young, trusting and

dynamic; Kinnock wanted Labour to be seen as marketing led and efficient: Major wanted the Tories to be seen as classless egalitarians, it is doubtful whether any of them succeeded, which is perhaps why final voting percentages varies so little from those of 1987

> Businessmen know that brand images are almost immutable and almost indestructible. That is why they are willing to pay tidy sums for them, and it why many accountants believe their value should be included, like other assets, in companies' balance

If anybody offers you the word "Harpic" or "Horlicks" or "Hovis" at a bargain price, snap it up: you will be able to sell it for a king's ransom. But if anybody offers you Labour or Liberal Democrat, think twice before splitting open the champagne. On present evidence, they are not

worth loadsamoney. WINSTON FLETCHER The author is head of the Delaney, Fletcher, Slavmaker, Delaney and THE PRESS Sin

Did The Sun win votes?

ewspapers don't win elections and millions of readers ignore their advice on how to vote. Although 45 per cent of Sun readers voted Tory, according to Mori, 50 per cent voted for Labour and the Liberal Democrats. Mori research during the 1992

election nevertheless supports academic research suggesting that the three main Tory tabloids may "convert" up to 2 per cent of the electorate, enough to win 20 marginal seats. According to 22,700 newspaper

readers asked about their voting intentions during the campaign, there was a sharp swing to the Tories in the last four days as The Sun, the Daily Mail and the Daily Express launched a front page blitz against Neil Kinnock. If that swing was induced by the correct, some 730 Sun readers in

The Sun could be right: it did help to swing a few hundred crucial votes.

Among Labour's main target 10 8,230. seats were Basildon, Slough and Hayes and Harlington, where The

Hayes switched to the Tories in the four days before they voted, swinging the Sun Tory vote from 7,500

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The knowledge and the tact

Tourist guides should represent the best of British history to visitors. They also need stamina, as Robin Mead reports

n American couple who barged into St George's Chapel at Windsor durling a Garter ceremony 20 years ago and dismissed 1,000 years of history and tradition with the words, "Gee, it's just another lump of old castle", probably changed the face of British

Professional tourist guides date their "professional" tag from that possibly apocryphal event — even though the Guild of Guide Lecturers, which celebrated its 40th birthday in 1990, might disagree. What is certain is that the job of guiding 18 million foreign visitors a year, plus countless Britons around the UK, has changed immensely over the past 20 years. We tourist guides are the live

tion and training. "Our job is to whet the appetite of visitors, so that they want to see and learn But, she says: "It is physically very demanding. You need plenty of stamina." You also need a high standard of education, and up to

two years of training to become a

theatre of tourism," says Rosalind Hutchinson, a former Guild

chairman now in charge of educa-

fully qualified "blue badge" guide. However, educational qualifications do not have to be formal: a tourist guide is often streetwise. rather than book-wise.

There are more than 1,000 qualified guides in London alone. and at least as many again in provincial cities and country areas. Selection and training is organised through Britain's national and regional tourist boards, who award the coveted "blue badge" status. Guild membership is open only to qualified, practicing guides.

One drawback is that tourist guides are self-employed and work is often seasonal, so training officers emphasise the importance of complementary, skills such as foreign languages. "If you speak only English, you are going to need a second string to your bow." Katrine Prince, of the Guild, says.

"In London, with languages, you can expect to be pretty busy between Easter and autumn. And if you speak Japanese, you have got a career." The job can be well-paid: London guides earn a basic £92 a day, and there are opportunities to add to that. But pay is lower and work scarcer outside



Rosemary Morris of Cambridge: "My job is not just giving information, but engaging minds"

London, the job is highly competitive, and there are always "pi-rates" ready to guide visitors

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there is plenty of work," she says.
"I speak fluent French, Spanish, Italian and German, and I do translation work, as well as guiding tour groups around the colleges."

The toughest tour she expenenced was a coach of French schoolchildren who were bored by the Chapel of King's College. However, at the end of the tour. one child came up to her, eyes aglow, and said, simply: "Superbe!" "At least, I got through to one person," she says. "That's what my job is: not just giving out information, but engaging minds."

Ms Hutchinson says: "Candidates come from every type of background, but we find that more mature entrants are better at dealing with the public."

Ms Prince puts the ideal age for a guide at between 25 and 45, and points to the tempting prospect of becoming a specialist guide to a museum or leading extended coach tours. Either will provide a comfortable safety net for

Contact local tourist boards for training courses. For London: Peter Matthews, London Tourist Board, 26 Grosvenor Gardens, SWIW OET. The closing date for entrants this year is June 15. Guild of Guide Lecturers. 2 Bridge Street, London SWIA 2JR (071-839 7438).



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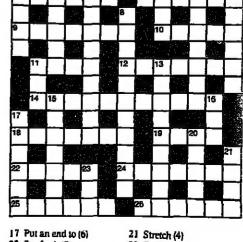
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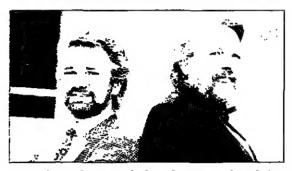
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1.00 One O'Clock News and weather (28288)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (64918801) 1.50 Turnabout. Rob
Curling with another round of the word power quiz (64929917)
2.15 Film: Tea for Two (1950) starring Doris Day, Gordon MacRae and Gene Nelson. Sentimental musical about an heiress who must accept an eccentric challenge before she can put on the Broadway show she dreams of. Directed by David Butler (606248)

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3.50 Just So Stories. Geoffrey Matthews narrates Rudyard Kipling's How the Camel Got its Hump (2203627) 4.00 Chucklevision (r) (s) (2623153) 4.20 Happy Families. Part one of Mr Tick the Teacher (9281004) 4.35 Pirates of Dark Water. (Ceefax) (8958530)
5.00 Newsround (8337627) 5.05 The Lowdown: The Exam. A documentary following the fortunes of five boys from the Hall preparatory school in Hampstead, north London, as they prepare for their Common Entrance Exam and a place in a leading public school. (Ceefax) (8197849)

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6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Anna Ford. (Ceefax) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (936). Northern Ireland: Neighbours



Fetishes and jests: Noel Edmonds, Willie Rushton (7.00pm)

7.00 Noel's Addicts.

 CHOICE: "I am going to introduce you", declares Noel Edmonds, "to a man who keeps 300 snakes in his house and the wife of a vicar who is a knicker addict." No, this is not a parody but a new show in which Noel presides over people's obsessions. The vicar's wife duly appears, offering highlights from her collection including knickers attributed to Queen Victoria ("these have sat upon the English throne"). Commentator Brian Johnston's fetish is not underwear but Neighbours, the cue for a call to the cast in Australia and a telephone link-up with a fellow-fan, J. Paul Getty. The half hour is quickly filled, helped along by a witty interlude from Willie Rushton. You feel it will not be long before the show turns up someone whose home is filled with plaster effigies of Noel Edmonds, complete with self-satisfied smirk. (Ceefax) (s) (9627) 7.30 EastEnders. (Ceefax) (s) (337)

8.00 Lifesense. A series about human life as seen through animals' eyes. (Ceefax) (8375)

8.30 A Question of Sport. Ian Botham returns and is joined by Will Carling and Adrian Moorhouse. Bill Beaumont captains Peter Elliott and Bryan Robson. (Ceefax) (s) (7882)

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (7004) 9.30 Resnick: Lonely Hearts. The third and final episode of the drama

serial starring Tom Wilkinson as an unconventional police detective on the trail of a lonely hearts killer. (Ceefax) (s) (615511) 10.25 Film 92 with Barry Norman. Includes reviews of The Inner Circle and Voyager (s) (786240)

10.55 Sportscene. Highlights of the Cup semi-final between Hearts and

11.35 Holy Week: the Gospels. The Sermon on the Mount (376608) 11.50 Private Eye. American police drama series set in 1956 Los Angeles (874917) 12.00 Weather (4706757)

BBC2

8.00 Breakfast News (6860801)
8.15 Racing the Tide. A look at the one-day horse race meeting held on the beach at Laytown Strand, 30 miles north of Dublin (r) (3743269)
9.00 Film: Tarzan and the Amazons (1945, b/w) starring Johnny Weissmuller and Johnny Sheffield. The jungle hero comes to the aid of an Amazon tribe of females threatened by curious explorers. Directed by Kurt Neumann (3167462)
10.15 Film: Affair in Trinidad (1952, b/w) starring Rita Hayworth and Glenn Ford. When a café owner is brutally murdered in Trinidad his widow and his brother join forces to find the killer. Directed by Vincent Sherman (25779085)
11.50 Me and My Bike. An affectionate look at a love affair with a bike (r)

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(7285530)

12.30 Last Stand in Eden. A National Geographic film about East Africa's endangered elephants (7711004) 1.20 Mr Benn. Animation (r) (83727882)

1.35 Bellamy's Seaside Safari. A miniaturised David Bellamy explores the sea around a lighthouse (1) (83198199)

2.00 News and weather (30933172) followed by With Saintly Patience and Diligence of an Ant. A look at a group of 17th-century Dutch artists (59932530) 2.30 See Hear! Magazine for the hearing impaired (r) (714)

3.00 News and weather (2906907) followed by The High Chaparral. Classic western series (r) (3801337) 3.50 News, regional news and 4.00 Rugby Special Extra. Highlights from the Hong Kong Bank/Cathay Pacific sevens tournament. The commentator is Nigel Starmer-Smith

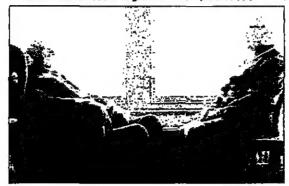
(s) (6747559) 4.40 A Gift From the Gods. The history and uses of garlic (7264578) 5.30 Gardeners' World. Includes a visit to a garden in Tenbury Wells (r)

(530)
6,00 Film: The Charge at Feather River (1953) starring Guy Madison adventure, originally screened in 3-D, and Frank Lovejoy. Western adventure, originally screened in 3-D, about a group of men on a dangerous mission to free two women by the Cheyenne. Directed by Gordon Douglas

7.40 Soul: The Evolving Soul. The second of three films exploring new thinking in cosmology, evolution and brain science, presented by Anthony Clare. This programme looks at the work that refutes the long-held belief that science is as predictable as clockwork. (Ceefax)

8.30 KYTV. Satirical comedy series set in a satellite television station. Starring Angus Deayton, Helen Atkinson Wood and Geoffrey

9.00 Quantum Leap, Unusual science fiction drama series starring Scott Bakula as a time-trapped scientist. In this episode he is transported back to Vietnam at the height of the war. (Ceefax) (s) (870085)



Romance in an old people's home: Jim and Mary (9.50pm)

of their courting was to have an afternoon nap together on his bed.

The assistant matron was appalled, Jim let her know what he thought. Lowthorpe weaves together this and four other stories of couples who have found love at the senior citizen stage, often in couples who have found love at the senior crizzer stage, orien at unlikely circumstances. A story straight, out of a novel concerns Feliks and Dorothy. They met during the second world war when he was a Polish refugee and she a murse. They split up, lost touch for 40 years and have failen for each other all over again. An advice line will be open after the programme (081-679 5110) but these couples, at least, seem far too well adjusted to need it. (Ceefax) (896559) 10.30 Newsnight with Peter Snow (828443)

11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (521288)

12.00 Open University: Open Forum (68318). Ends at 12.30em

6.00 TV-am (8976172)

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9.25 Cross Wits. Crossword cutz game presented by Tom O'Connor (4516989) 9.55 Thamas News (9404658)

10.00 Out of this World. Adventures of a young girl with a human mother and an atien father (s) (2799725) 10.25 Just for the Record. Australian series about bizarre record-breaking exploits (s) (5596511) 10.50 News headines (830559)

10.55 Treasure Island in Outer Space. Episode two of a seven-part science fiction adaptation of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic, attains to the process of the part Present Control (1905624) 41.50

starring Anthony Quinn and Ernest Borgnine (r) (2065424) 11.50 Thames News headlines (4363559)
11.55 Cartoon featuring Porky Pig (r) (7851443) 12.10 Playbox. Pre-

school learning series, introduced by Keith Chegwin and Pat Coombs (r) (7233240) e News (Oracle) Weather (8040153) 1.10 Then News (24467004)

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2.20 Heirtoom. John Bly and guest expert Hitary Kay value toys brought in by the studio audience (59331801) 2.50 Families (s) (8114733)
3.15 ITN News headlines (3528284) 3.20 Thames News headlines (6778707) 3.25 The Young Doctors (1163827)
3.55 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. Animated stories (9199282) 4.10 Tales from the Poop Deck. Cornedy adventure series starring Helen Atidnson Wood, Charles Gray and Dudley Sutton. The regrator is Griff Rhys Jones (Oracle) (s) (2638085) 4.35 Disney's Duck Tales (8950986) 5.00 Cartoon (r) (7283820)
5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz (8181288)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather 5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (209849)

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5.55 Thames Help. Rock climbing for youngsters (r) (877530)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (289)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) (849)
7.00 Emmerdale. Topical soap set in the Yorkshire Deles. (Oracle)

curvival: Saving the Spoonbill. Brien Rechead namates the documentary about Dutch conservationists' efforts to preserve the hreatened bird (r) (733) 8.00 The Bill: Trials and Tribulations. Someone who wants to frighten

WPC Cathy Marshall arranges for her flat to be wrecked and her car vandalised. (Oracle) (3443)

8.30 The Benny Hill Show. A compilation of clips from the mester of

innuendo's comedy sketches (s) (2578)
Medics. Hospital drama series staming Tom Baker and Sue



A suitable case for adoption: children in care (10.40pm) 10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Stewart and Trevor McDonald. (Oracle) Weether (87153) 10.30 Thames News (331117)

18.40 Adoption - All For the Sake of the Children. CHOICE: A cirama documentary mixing actors with professional accial workers explores the process by which couples are assessed for their suitability as adoptive perents. The fictional but true-to-life scenario features two children, eight and six, of a dead mother and a father with no regular job or home. The kids are in care and the social worker proposes adoption. A couple unable to have children of their own emerge as potential candidates. The film points out that most children who come up for adoption are from disturbed backgrounds. Many are physically and emotionally damaged and likely to be difficult. This makes it all the more important that the youngsters are placed in a caring environment.

The programme elso deals with the rights of natural parents to maintain contact with their offspring (673820)

11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Australian behind bars chama (868901)

12.30am Video View presented by Muriella Frostrup (64221)
1.30 The Equalizer. McCall is hired by a mother whose son was killed by a citizens' patrol. Starring Edward Woodward (79457)

2.30 Donahue. American chat show (4533863) 3.20 Nme (77455134) 3.30 60 Minutes. News magazine (75115) 4.30 Entertainment UK. Leisure time guide (23776) 5.30 ITN Morning News (56573). Ends at 6.00

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6.00 Channel 4 Daily (8974714)
9.25 The Munsters (awi. Classic ghoulish comedy (r) (4507240)
9.55 The Road to Avonlea. Children's drama serial (r) (5691085)
10.55 Fine Feathers. Animation (8620172)
11.00 Gamesmaster. Video games series (r) (1511882)
11.35 Get Smart. Spoof spy series starring Don Adams (2965356)
12.00 Nosh's Ark. A Spanish documentary on flamingos (r) (37676)
12.30 Business Daily (59207) 1.00 Sesame Street (r) (47462)
2.00 The Train. A rail journey through Sweden (59935627)
2.25 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Brough Scott introduces live coverage of the 2.35, 3.10 (Shadwell Stud Nell Gwynn Stakes);
3.40 and 4.10 races (73640085)
4.30 Fifteen to Otne. Fast moving general knowledge quiz (s) (6461)

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5.00 it's a Dog's Life. Mike Fuller examines hunting dogs (r) (5801)
5.30 Beat That. Challenges tackled by disabled and able-bodied yournoteer (n) (2021)

youngsters (r) (998) 6.00 Treasure Hunt. Annabel Croft is in west Berkshire (r) (34998) 7.00 Channel 4 News. (Teletext) Weather (936733) 7.50 Comment

8.00 People First: Stop the World We Want to Get On. Documentary series on disability issues. A profile of the Canadian-based disability rights organisation Disabled Peoples International. (Teletext) (1085)
8.30 Nature Watch: Lost in the Garden of Eden. Birute Galdike's work with orangulars in Borneo (r). (Teletext) (3820)



Celebrity: Radio 1 disc jockey Tony Biackburn (9.00pm)

9.00 Without Walls: Hang the DJ (8694) and at 9.30 Real Secrets

CHOICE: The arts magazine celebrates 25 years of Radio 1 and dissects the art of Ingmar Bergman. The Radio 1 item is not a formal history but a study of four of the station's disc jockeys, Tony Blackburn, Gary Davies, Mike Read and Dave Lee Travis. Playing other people's records seems hardly the stuff that stars are made of, but Dis have enjoyed a curious celebrity. Time was when Blackburn could hardly open a supermarket without having his clothes tom off. The most thoughtful contribution comes from DLT, who fears he may among the last of the breed. In the other item Robert McKee concludes his series of movie masterclasses by analysing *Through a Glass Darkly*. His thesis is that above all else Bergman is a master story-teller. It can be tested against the film, which is being shown

after this programme (s)

10.00 Filint: Through a Glass Darkly (1961, bAv). The first of Ingmar Bergman's triogy of films about man's futile search for God. Starring Max von Sydow and Harriet Andersson (439559)

11.40 Empty Nest, American cornedy series (583658)

12.10am The Devil's Advocate: The Battle for Stratford School. The story of the dispute between a London school's white head teacher and the predominantly Asian governing body (4719776) 12.40 American Patchwork. Songs and stories about America

(9887080)

1.55 Film: Murder by Rope (1936, b/w) starring D.A. Clarke-Smith.
Low-budget thriller about a judge threatened by a man he sentenced to death — after the execution has taken place. Directed by George Pearson (8671844). Ends at 3.05

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SKY MOVIES+

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 6.00am Showcase (8686004)
 10.00 Two Brothers Running (1988):
 Comedy starrup Jom Conti (84917)
 12.00 The Bits of Mrs Blossom (1968): Sex

cornedy starring Shirley MacLaine (47849) 2.00pm Jock of the Bushweldt. The adventures of a brave dog (16530) 4.00 Submarine X-1 (1968): James Caan leads a raid behind enemy lines (6172) 6.00 Twen Brathers Reseating (x; 10am)

10.00 Next of Kin (1989): Backwoods policeman Patrick Swayze investigates the death of his brother in Chucago (185191) 11.50 Baskest Case 2 (1989): Twin brothers enter a home for freaks (858172) 1.20am The Pace of Fear (1990): A psychic helps to track a serial killer (7370592) 2.50 Waxwwork (1999): Waxwwork dummies come to life (119912) 4.25 in the Line of Dusty: Mob Austice (1991): Drug dealer Tony Danza is wanted by the law, and the Mob (120399). Ends at 6.00

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© VIa the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. 6.15am The Yellow Rolls Royce (1964): Epsodic comedy (43400288) 8.30 Gallavents (1988): Musical carbon about arts (12769269) 10.15 All Baba and the 40 Thieves (1944):

ru. 13 As isana and the 40 Thierves (1944); A deposed prince poses at a bands (257581) 12.15pm Bandits of Consics (1953) Robin Hood-style adventure (389(53) 2.15 B.L. Stryler — Plates (1990), Burt Reynolds stars as the Maibu detective (3099) 77 4.15 Gallavanta (at 8 30am) (27) 794)

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(1990), Staming Peter Falk (291559)
8.15 Buried Allive (1990), Tim Matheson escapes from an early grave (49201849) 18.05 The Handmald's Tale (1990: Childbearer Natasha Richardson rebels (813462) 12.00 Kiss of the Vempire (1963): Thriller set in Bavana (304196) 1.35am SSSSSSS (1973); Sprotter Maron turns his daughter's boyfnend into a snake 198283)

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SKY SPORTS

 Vis the Astra and Marcopolo satulities.
 4.30am Aerobics (76375) 7.00 Torque (91530) 8.00 Motor Cycling (30789) 9.00 Scottish Footisal (\$2578) 10.00 FA Cup Semi-Final Replay: Liverpool v Porsmounh (25153) 12.00 International Cricket: West Indies v South Africa (8574356) 5.00pan Nascar (95424) 7.00 Scottish Cup Semi-Final Replay: Hearts v Airdrie (1117153) 11.30 Hill. Ice Hodery (51065) 12.30-5.00am Scottish Cup Semi-Final Replay: Italian Cup: Juventas v Milan (5495844) kwentus v Milan (5495844)

EUROSPORT

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8.00em Tenns ATP Tour (59608) 16.00 Speed Skatung (82424) 11.00 American Supercross Grand Prix Indianapolis (22248) 12.00 Tennis ATP Tour (219608) 3.00pm Horse Ball European Masters (46207) 4.00 Football European Masters (46207) 4.00 Football European Masters (46207) 4.00 European (30725) 6.30 Rally Championship (8801) 7.00 Live Baskerball (44277) 8.30 European News (5462) 9.00 Wresting (40511) 10.00 Tennis ATP Tour (41462) 11.30 Europport News (61207)

SCREENSPORT

OVia the Astra satellite.
7.00am Eurobes (10207) 7.39 French Rugby League (15578) 8.30 European Rallycross Championship (46838) 9.30 Bodybuilding (45511) 10.30 Eurobics (21849) 11.00 RNA Baskethall 1991/92 (14424) 12.30pm RNA Action 1992 (47375) 1.00 Powersports International (35530) 2.00 Eurobes (6337) 2.30 The Reebok Marathon Series (54733) 3.30 World League of US Football (69443) 5.00 Volvo PGA European Tour 1992 (9424) 6.00 Spanish Football Highlights (7793) 6.30 Matchroom Pro Box (20337) 10.30 Force Snocker League 1992 (389511)

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(50337) 10.30 The Great American
Garneshows. (2736917) 11.20 Body Talk
(4485199) 11.25 Search for Tomorowe
(3803191) 11.50 Sally Jessy Raphael
(2227801) 12.45gen David Hamilton's
People (703004) 1.15 The Joan Rivers Show
(7566627) 2.05 Skyways (4903153) 3.05
Setl-a-Vison (5767795) 3.30 Cover Story
(5207) 4.00 Tea Break (3441714) 4.10 WRIP
in Cincornate (6477356) 4.40 The Great
American Gameshows (3617004) 5.30 Sell-a-Vision (5579) 6.00 Remenption Steele
(40462) 7.00 Sels-a-Vison (516284) 10.00
Julebox Music Videos (4773636) 2.00am
Last Jukebox Dence (88080)

FM Stereo and MfW. 4.00am Bruno Brookes
IFM only: The Early Breakfast Show 6.00
Newsbeat 12.45 Jakks Stambles 3.00 Neale larnes in the Afternoon 6.00 Mark Goodier's
Mega Hits 6.30 News 12 7.00 Mark Goodier's Evening Session 9.00 Robbe Robersson Irl
10.00 Nedy Campbell Celebrates his installation as University Students' Union in Scrittand 12.00-4.00am Not'ry Home (FM only): Featuring Austin
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WORLD SERVICE

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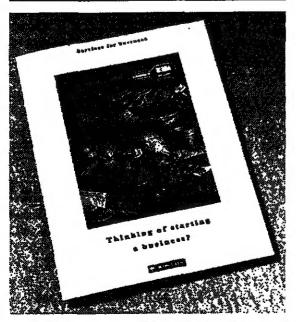
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manor, Fouesk (Quare moters pour un temps de pénitence); Haydn (Sonata IV: My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? — The Seven Last Words of our Saviour on the Cross, Op 51)

5travinsky (Caphooo) 1.25 Hallé Orchestra under Lawrence Foster performs
Wagner (Prelude, Die
Meistersinger), Dvoták (Cello
Concerto in B minor, Op 104: (Symphony No 1 in E flat)

(Symphony No 1 in E flat)
1.00pm News
1.05 St David's Half Lunchtime
Recital Philippa Davies, flute,
Ian Brown, piano, perform
Schubert (Introduction and
Vanations on "Trokne
Blumen", D802); Copland
(Duo); Martinu (Sonata No 1)
2.00 Music Weekly (r)
2.45 BBC Concert Orchestra under
Norman Del Mar performs

Symphony) (r)

3.45 Beethoven, Debussy and Ravel' Rasma Lielmane, viol Ravel' Rasma Lielmane, violin, John York, piano, perform Beethoven (Sonata in F, Op 24, Spring); Debussy (Sonata in G minor); Ravel (Targane) (r)
4.35 BBC Festival of Brass 1992: Paul Hindmarsh introduces the cooped of men converts Robert Redhead, with David Daws, comet, performs Erik Leidzen (Invincible Army); Dean Goffin (Symphony of Thanksgiving); Eric Ball (Clear Skiest; Wilfred Heaton (Celestial Prospect); Ray Steadman-Allen (The Holy War); Tom Rive (I Know a Fount); Robert Redhead (Quintessence)

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5.30 Malarly for Pleasure: Let's Pretend ... Rodney Slatford looks at the world of makebelieve 7.00 News

7.05 Third Ear: The poet Vernon Scannell talks to Michael Schmidt

7.30 BBC Symphony Orchestra under Lothar Zagrosek performs Strauss (Suite, Op 4); Benedict Mason (Concerto for the Viola Section); Schumarn (Symphory No 1 in B flat, Spring)

9.10 Drama Now: Visitors

• CHOKCE: Since Terence Hards wrote his affecting play about a senile octogenarian, he has died and so has Harry Andrews who plays the old man. This re-broadcast of Visitors is, therefore, a tribute to a fine radio actor. The visitors of the title exist only in the measure of the old man, and the title exist only in the memory of the old man, and they drift in and out of his consciousness offering him courses of action that his

reactionary nature neglected to take before he became, in

to take before ne oscarie, in his own words, "a fittle confused". If there is a moral here, it must be that when opportunity knocks, answer the door immediately (f) I fkons in Sound: Father Philip Steer examines the writings of \$1 Surpoon the New 10.00 lkc steer examines are wramps or St Symeon the New Theologian, used by John Tavener in his *Bron of Light*, and performed by members of the Chilinghian Quartet and Talks Scholars under Peter thatine.

Philips

10.50 Collin Stone: The pianist plays
Beethoven (32 Variations in C
minor, WoO 80); List
(Harmonies du Soir,
Transcendental Studies, No
11); Debussy (Pour les nèroes,
Studies, Book 1); Stravinsky
(Sonata) (r)

11 30 Manue

11.30 News 11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Richard Strauss (r)

Starts: 12.10pm Burologus (72123356)

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Starts: 2.00pm. Irish Mesters Snooker (5829462) 2.30 Bosco (18217337) 3.00 Children's Programmes 6.05 Jo-Maid (80142608) 6.30 Home and Away (16222646) 7.00 Nucurit (42482801) 7.06 Cursi (79555337) 7.25 Glernoe (58406172) 8.00 News (29137820) followed by Streets of San Francisco: Interfude (Gad Maiden) (52999191) 9.08 The Golden Girls (Sea Arthur, Rue McClanahan) (89785849) 9.30 News (81311608) followed by SNG: Line of Fire (93618512) 10.30 Nighthawks (33334424) 71.00 News (47563820) 11.25 Close

RADIO 3

6.55am Weather, News Headines
7.00 Morning Concert: Dvofák
(Twilight Way: In the Old
Castle; At the Hero's Grawe;
On the Holy Mountain, Poetic.
Tone Pictures, Op 85);
Stravinsky (Suite No 2 for Small
Orchestra)
7.30 Ness

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont):
Howels (Piano Quartet in A minor): Poulenc (Quartet)

8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week:
Lully — Entertainments for
Versailes, Lully (George
Dandin — excepts); Lully, arr
d'Anglebert (Les Songes
agreables, Alys); Lully (La
Grotte de Versailles)
9.35 Morning Sequence: Mozart,
arr Wendt (Muss: from Die
Entfuhrung aus dem Serail);
Butterworth (Rhapsody, A
Shropshire Lad; Love blows as
the Wind Blows); Vieustemps
(Fantasia appassionata); Finzi
(By Footpath and Stile);
Stravinsky (Caphocoo)

Norman Del Mar performs Reger (Cornedy Overture); Goldmark (Rustic Wedding

second of nme concerts. International Staff Band of the Salvation Army under Major

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5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00
News Bristing, Incl 8.03
Weather 6.10 Farming Today
8.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30
Today, Incl 6.30, 7.00, 7.30,
8.00, 8.30 News 6.55, 7.55
Westher 6.45 Business News
7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45
Thought for the Day
8.43 Up the Columbry: Camp Life,
Festily Kendel reads a
selection of letters written
home by Emily Eden from
india between 1837 and 1840
8.56 Westher
9.00 News

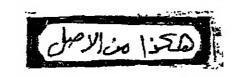
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2.05 Call Nick Ross: (77-530 4411, Lines open from Bam
10.00-10.30sm Grand Tour (FM only): New York, Oliver Sacks describes the stmosphere of the towering metropolis
10.00 Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 The Bible (LW only): Nehum, Read by Dermot Crowley
10.30 Wessan's Hour. Chef Raymond Blanc prepares chocolate mousse, incl 11.00 News 11.30 All in the Mind, presented by Professor Anthony Clare 12.00 You and Yours, with John

2.30 Richard Balter Compares
Notas with the composer
John Tavener (a)
3.00 Tuesday Lives, with Joanna
Buchen (s)
4.00 Nies
4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews To
Play the King, the sequel by
author Michael Dobbs to his
television chama series, House
of Cards, and Shakespeare
and the Goddess of Complete
Baing by the post Ted
Hughes (a)
4.45 Short Story: Poor Martins, by
Frances Bellerby: Read by

Frances Sellerby. Read by June Barrie

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8. Radio 2: FM-88-90.2. Radio 3: FM-90.2-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-94.6. Radio 5: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m. World Service: MW 648kHz/463m. Radio Chyde (Glasgow): 1152kHz/261m; FM 102.5. Radio Forth (Edinburgh): 1548kHz/194m; FM 97.3.



of the Posthumous Painter (24463462) 3.00 Live at Three (2794801) 4.00 News (12554197) followed by Kain and Alle (85658288 4.90 Gloss (8351379) 5.30 Out of Limits (379940606) 5.30 A Country Practice (4721004) 5.00 The Angeles (8312191) 6.31 Sta-One (2590172) 7.20 Far City (3662714) 7.30 Head to Toe (4708153) 8.00 Check Up (2789453) 8.25 Smoly Delicious in France and Italy (7015443) 9.30 News (2702820) 9.30 Today. Tonight (5695066) 18.10 Ashes to Ashes (9363511) 10.40 Discovery (4093600) 11.10 American Chronicles (3448581) 11.35 News (1670627) 11.48 Close

6.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Stx O'Clock News

5.55 Weather
6.30 Shr O'Clock Henre
6.30 No Commitment: Cracks in
the Varnish. Written by Simon
Brett (a) (r)
7.00 Neura
7.05 The Archers
7.20-8.00 The Lest Hours of
Pontius Pilante (Fill only): A
play by lan Taylor. Pilate (Jose
Ackidend) awaits the arrival of
the Emperor Caliguta who
wants to know the truth about
Jesus (s)
7.20 Women's Hour (LW only) (r)
8.00 Science New (r)
8.00 The ley Grave
© CHOICE: Not a single fact is
new in Peter Rewlings's
feature about the striking of
the Titanic, and the finding of
the wrackage. Does this mean
that The lay Grave is
superfluous? Certainly not.
There is elways someone,
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unclear about what happened
on the night of April 14, 1912,
500 miles of Cape Race,
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who is hazy about what

Newfoundland. And there is shways someone, somewhere, who is hazy about what happened 73 years letter on the bed of the Atlantic. Rewlings's account of the Trianic disaster leaves the drama to those who were involved in the tragedy, and those who have subsequently become obsessed by it

9.00 in Touch: Peter White

9.00 in Touch: Peter White presents the magazine for the disabled 9.30 Kalekdeecope (a) (f) 9.45 The Financial World Tonight, with Roger White (a) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with Alexander MacLaod (a) 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Four British Folk Tales — The Daumtiess Girl, by Kevirr Crossley-Holland. Read by John Nettles 11.00 A Legend on Wheeler Charter 11.00 A Legend On Market 11.00 A Legend On Wheeler 11.00 A Legend On Market 1

11.09 A Legend on Wheels: Oliver Welston enthuses about the Trahent car Weston enthuses about the Trabant car

11.30 Deer Bbr. Geoffrey Smith on the cornet player Bix
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12.00-12.43am News. Incl 12.27
Weather 12.33 Shipping
Forecast 12.43 World Service
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